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A. E. FORGET,

Lieutenant Governor.

CANADA,
North-West Territories.

PROCLAMATION.

To the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of the *North-West Territories* and to all whom it may concern:—

F. W. G. HAULTAIN,)
Attorney General.)

WHEREAS, I have thought fit, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the *Territories*, to DISSOLVE the present Legislative Assembly, which stands prorogued during pleasure,

NOW KNOW YE, that I do for that end publish this my PROCLAMATION and do hereby DISSOLVE the said Legislative Assembly of the *North-West Territories* accordingly, and the members thereof are discharged from further meeting and attendance.

Given under my hand and the SEAL of the said *Territories* at *Regina* this thirteenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety eight, and in the sixty-second year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By Command,

GEORGE H. V. BULYEA,

Territorial Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

Regina, April 1, 1899.

To the
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly
of the North-West Territories.

This is to certify that the following named persons have been duly elected to represent the Electoral Districts set opposite their respective names in the Fourth Legislative Assembly of the Territories.

NAME OF MEMBER.	ELECTORAL DISTRICT.
Thomas Alfred Patrick.....	Yorkton.
Archibald Beaton Gillis.....	Whitewood.
Anthony Sigwart Rosenroll.....	Wetaskiwin.
James Hamilton Ross.....	Moose Jaw.
Frederick William Gordon Haultain.....	Macleod.
Leverett George Deveber.....	Lethbridge.
Donald Hogarth McDonald.....	North Qu'Appelle.
Richard Alfred Wallace.....	High River.
Richard Bedford Bennett.....	West Calgary.
Alfred Ernest Cross.....	East Calgary.
Benjamin Prince.....	Battleford.
James Benjamin Hawkes.....	South Regina.
George Hedley Vicars Bulyea.....	South Qu'Appelle.
George William Brown.....	North Regina.
Horace Albertie Greeley.....	Medicine Hat.
Thomas McKay.....	Prince Albert West
William Frederick Meyers.....	Kinistino.
Joseph Albert McIntyre.....	Mitchell.
Charles Fisher.....	Batoche.
Alexander Smith Smith.....	Moosomin.
Ewan Cameron McDiarmid.....	Cannington.
John Wesley Connell.....	Souris.
Richard Stewart Lake.....	Grenfell.
William Elliott.....	Wolseley.
William Eakin.....	Saltcoats.
Matthew McCauley.....	Edmonton.
Frederic Villeneuve.....	St. Albert.
John William Shera.....	Victoria.
John A Simpson.....	Red Deer.
Samuel McLeod.....	Prince Albert East.
Robert George Brett.....	Banff.

JOHN A. REID,

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BY virtue of the power and authority in me vested, and by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the *North-West Territories*, I have thought fit to summon the Legislative Assembly of the said *Territories* to meet for the DESPATCH of BUSINESS at *Regina*, in the said *Territories*, on Tuesday the Fourth day of April next, of which all persons concerned are required to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the said *Territories* at *Regina*, this Sixth day of March in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety nine and in the sixty-second year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By Command,

GEORGE H. V. BULYEA,

Territorial Secretary.

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First Session—Fourth Legislature.

TUESDAY, 4TH APRIL, 1899.

2:30 O'CLOCK P. M.

This being the First Day of the First Session of the Fourth Legislative Assembly of the *North-West Territories*, pursuant to a Proclamation of His Honour *Amedee Emmanuel Forget*, the Lieutenant Governor of the said *Territories*, dated the 6th day of March, 1899, the Members having been duly sworn, took their seats in the House.

The Territorial Secretary communicated to the House the following letter:—

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, REGINA.

4th April, 1899.

Sir,—I have the honour to inform you that His Honour the Lieutenant Governor will proceed to the Legislative Chamber at 3:15 o'clock this afternoon to open the Session of the Legislative Assembly.

By Command,

A. W. J. BOURGET,
Private Secretary.

The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Mr. *Haultain* then addressed himself to the Clerk (who standing up, bowed, and then sat down), proposed to the House for their Speaker, *William Eakin*, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of *Saltcoats*, and moved that he do take the

Chair of this House, as Speaker, which Resolution was seconded by Mr. Brett.

The Question being put by the Clerk, it was

Resolved, unanimously, That *William Eakin*, Esquire, do take the Chair of this House as Speaker, and the Clerk having declared *William Eakin*, Esquire, duly elected, he was conducted by Mr. *Haultain* to the Chair, where he then said:

Gentlemen:

I beg to express my grateful thanks and humble acknowledgement of the high honor the House has been pleased to confer on me, and, while I leave the floor of this House to take the Speaker's Chair, I feel that I also leave all political or partisan feelings, in order that I may discharge, with impartiality to all, and to the best of my ability, the various and important duties pertaining to the high office of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the *North-West Territories*.

3:15 O'CLOCK P. M.

His Honour the Lieutenant Governor entered the House and took his seat on the Throne.

The Speaker then addressed His Honour to the following effect:

May it please Your Honour:

The Legislative Assembly have elected me as their Speaker, although I am but little able to fulfil the important duties thus assigned to me.

If, in the performance of those duties, I should at any time fall into error, I pray that the fault may be imputed to me and not to the Assembly whose servant I am, and who, through me, the better to enable them to discharge their duty to their Queen and country, hereby humbly claim all their undoubted rights and privileges, especially that they may have freedom of speech in their debates, access to your person at all seasonable times, and that their proceedings may receive from you the most favourable consideration.

The Territorial Secretary then said:—

Mr. *Speaker*,

I am commanded by His Honour the Lieutenant Governor to declare to you that he freely confides in the duty and attachment of the Assembly to Her Majesty's person and Government, and, not doubting that their proceedings will be conducted with wisdom, temper and prudence, he grants, and upon all occasions will recognise and allow, their constitutional privileges.

I am commanded also to assure you that the Assembly shall have ready access to His Honour upon all seasonable occasions,

and that their proceedings, as well as your words and actions, will constantly receive from him the most favourable construction.

His Honour was then pleased to open the Session with the following Speech:—

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

In meeting you at the opening of the First Session of the Fourth Legislative Assembly of the Territories, the occasion being also the first time that I have had the opportunity of meeting this Assembly since entering upon the duties of my office, I find much to congratulate you upon in the ever-increasing prosperity of the *Territories*. After a residence of nearly a quarter of a century in the *Territories*, I am not unacquainted with earlier conditions of life in this country and am well pleased to note that, even at this comparatively early period in their political history, the people of the *Territories* are assured of their future welfare, of which fact there are many evidences to be seen.

There are some matters which have particularly affected the *Territories* during the short period that has elapsed since the dissolution of the Third Legislative Assembly, which it seems to me but proper to here briefly recall.

On the twenty-sixth day of September last, within three months of his arrival in the *Territories*, Lieutenant Governor Cameron died at *London* in the Province of *Ontario*. My lamented predecessor fittingly closed a long life, of which a considerable part was actively spent in the service of *Canada*, in the the administration of these *Territories*, and his unique personality will long remain a warm memory amongst those who knew him. Though the period of his actual residence in the *Territories* was but brief, he had abundantly shown that his heart and sympathies were with our country and our people.

I am sure that the regret which was generally expressed throughout the Dominion upon the departure of the Earl and Countess of Aberdeen was heartily joined in by the people of the *Territories*. Their many estimable qualities made Their Excellencies deservedly popular in the country at large, and the deep interest they felt in all matters affecting the *Territories* was continually being made manifest.

I feel confident that you will heartily join in the loyal welcome given to the Earl of Minto, the new Governor General, for His Excellency is not unknown to the *Territories*; and his acquaintance with the *North-West* will be valuable to him in the discharge of the duties of his exalted office.

Owing to the unprecedented increase of the work of Departmental administration I found it necessary at the beginning of this year to call to my aid the continuous services of a third Member of the Executive Council, and to make such a distribution of the various offices provided for by law as permitted the duties devolving upon the members of my Government to receive closer and more detailed attention than was previously found to

be possible. Much benefit to the public service has resulted from this change.

The Consolidation of the Ordinances of the *Territories* has been completed since the close of the last Session of the Legislative Assembly, and the printed volumes will shortly be available. This work will prove of advantage to all who are charged with the administration of the law.

The work of organising the country under The Local Improvement Ordinance has been nearly completed. There are now 450 districts ready to commence their work with the opening of spring. The operation of the Ordinance has shown that its provisions cannot be made to apply in certain portions of the country where the settlement is not close or continuous, and a measure will be submitted to you dealing with this phase of the question without violating the principle underlying the Ordinance.

The question of the supply of water for general purposes in certain parts of the *Territories* is one to which considerable attention has been given by my Government. The work carried on by the Public Works Department during the past season, in seeking to establish the extent of the disabilities in this respect under which those parts of the country labor, has met with gratifying results, and has shown that the difficulty—hitherto deemed almost insurmountable—is one that in nearly every instance can be removed. You will be asked to provide the necessary means for extending this work and prosecuting it with vigour.

The initiatory work of the Department of Agriculture has already been attended with a considerable amount of success. A number of stock owners in various parts of the *Territories* are availing themselves of the opportunity afforded to improve their herds by the introduction of thoroughbred animals under the supervision of the Department, and arrangements have been completed, under the authority given at the last Session of the Legislative Assembly, for the operation this year of an experimental station near *Calgary*, at which demonstrations of agricultural possibilities under local conditions will be afforded. Arrangements for the establishment of other similar stations in other parts of the *Territories* are receiving attention.

The practical test to which the election law of the *Territories* has recently been subjected, has indicated the directions in which the procedure may be improved; and a measure having that end in view will be brought down at an early date.

The Public Accounts for the sixteen months ending with the close of the last calendar year, together with the estimates for the current year, will be laid before you.

Among the measures to be submitted to you are Bills declaring the law of Partnership, to provide facilities for winding up Joint Stock Companies, for dealing more comprehensively with Noxious Weeds, to settle various matters connected with the organisation of Villages, to establish a more complete system for the Inspection of Stock, as well as a number of minor measures. To these, and to such other matters as may appear

to you to be for the public good, I invite your earnest consideration, in full confidence that your deliberations will result in the promotion of the interests and welfare of the *Territories*.

His Honour was then pleased to retire.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that in order to prevent mistakes, he had obtained a copy of the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, which was laid on the Table.

Ordered, That Mr. *Haultain* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Chapter 3 of the Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting elections."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Haultain*, seconded by Mr. *Ross*,

Ordered, That the Speech of His Honor the Lieutenant Governor to this House be taken into consideration on Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. *Haultain*, seconded by Mr. *Ross*,

Ordered, That Select Standing Committees of the House for the present Session be appointed for the following purposes: 1, Standing Orders and Library; 2, Public Accounts; 3, Printing; 4, Agriculture; 5, Municipal Law; 6, Law Amendments; 7, Education; which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and enquire into all such matters and things as shall be referred to them and shall report from time to time their operations and opinions thereon, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

On motion of Mr. *Haultain*, seconded by Mr. *Ross*,

Ordered, That a Special Committee consisting of Messieurs *Brett*, *Meyers*, *Gillis*, *Patrick*, *McCauley* and the Mover and Seconder, be appointed to prepare and report with all convenient speed a list of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees of this House.

And then the House adjourned at 4:15 o'clock p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 5TH APRIL, 1899.

2:30 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The House having met, adjourned at 3:15 o'clock, p. m.

THURSDAY, 6TH APRIL, 1899.

2:30 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The following Petition was presented :

By Mr. Cross,—Of *James Young* and others praying for the repeal or amendment of The Irrigation Ordinance.

Mr. *Haultain*, from the Special Committee appointed to prepare and report lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House, reported, that they had prepared lists of Members accordingly, and the same were read as follows :—

1. STANDING ORDERS AND LIBRARY.—Messieurs *Simpson, Lake, Haultain, Smith, Meyers, Gillis* and *McDiarmid*.

2. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.—Messieurs *Patrick, Gillis, Connell, Brown, McDonald, McLeod, McKay, Ross, Greeley, Haultain, McCauley, Bennett, Cross, Prince* and *Brett*.

3. PRINTING.—Messieurs *Meyers, Brett, McDiarmid, Wallace, DeVeber, Haultain, Greeley, McIntyre, Ross, Smith, Bulyea, Hawkes, Villeneuve* and *Rosenroll*.

4. AGRICULTURE.—Messieurs *McCauley, Fisher, Prince, Cross, McDiarmid, Lake, Wallace, Greeley, McIntyre, McKay, McLeod, McDonald, Bulyea, Simpson, Hawkes, Cornell, Shera, Rosenroll* and *Elliott*.

5. MUNICIPAL LAW.—Messieurs *Gillis, Cross, Bennett, McCauley, DeVeber, Ross, Smith, McLeod, McDonald, Bulyea, Brown, Hawkes, Shera, Elliott* and *Patrick*.

6. LAW AMENDMENTS.—Messieurs *Brown, Fisher, Bennett, Meyers, McIntyre, Connell* and *Villeneuve*.

7. EDUCATION.—Messieurs *McDonald, Brett, Fisher, Lake, Prince, Wallace, DeVeber, Haultain, McKay, Simpson, Villeneuve, Shera, Rosenroll, Elliott* and *Patrick*.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. *Haultain*, seconded by Mr. *Ross*,

Ordered, That to-day and hereafter during the Session if the business of the day be not concluded at half past five o'clock, Mr. Speaker will leave the Chair until eight o'clock.

The Order of the day being read for taking into consideration the Speech of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session.

The House proceeded accordingly, to take the said Speech into consideration.

Moved by Mr. *Villeneuve*,

Seconded by Mr. *Lake*,

That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor to offer the respectful thanks of this House to His Honour for the gracious Speech he has been pleased to make to this House, namely:—

To His Honour *Amedee Emmanuel Forget*, Lieutenant Governor of the North-West Territories.

May it Please Your Honour:

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the *North-West Territories* in Session assembled, humbly thank Your Honour for your gracious Speech at the opening of this Session.

We assure Your Honour that we are glad to meet you on this the first occasion of your meeting the Legislative Assembly since entering upon the duties of your office, and to know that one who has been so long a resident of the *Territories*, and so well acquainted with the earlier conditions of life in this country, has been appointed to that exalted position.

We are gratified to learn that Your Honour finds much for congratulation in the ever-increasing prosperity of the *Territories*, and that you have been able to note that, even at this comparatively early period in their political history, the people of the *Territories* are assured of their future welfare.

We join with Your Honour in expressions of regret at the death of the late Lieutenant Governor Cameron, who so fittingly closed a long life, a considerable part of which was actively spent in the service of *Canada*, in the administration of these *Territories*, and are sure that his unique personality will long remain a warm memory amongst those who knew him.

The regret which was generally expressed throughout the Dominion upon the departure of the Earl and Countess of Aberdeen, was shared in by us and the people of the *Territories*, and we agree with Your Honour that their many estimable qualities made their Excellencies deservedly popular in the country at large, and that the deep interest they felt in all matters affecting the *Territories* was continually being made manifest.

We heartily and loyally join with Your Honour in a welcome to the Earl of Minto, the new Governor General, and are confident that His Excellency's acquaintance with the *North-West* will be valuable to him in the discharge of the duties of his exalted office.

We are interested to learn that Your Honour found it necessary at the beginning of the year to call to your aid the continuous services of a third Member of the Executive Council, and to make such a distribution of the various offices provided for by law as permitted the duties devolving upon the Members of Your Honour's Government to receive closer and more detailed attention than was previously found to be possible; and it is gratifying to us to be informed that much benefit to the public service has resulted from this change.

We are pleased to learn of the completion of the work of consolidating the Ordinances of the *Territories*, and we are sure that the printed volumes will prove of advantage to all who are charged with the administration of the law.

It affords us satisfaction to learn that the organisation of the country under The Local Improvement Ordinance is nearly completed, and that there are now 450 districts ready to commence work with the opening of Spring; and we will give every consideration to any measure submitted to us having for its object the application of the principle underlying the Ordinance to districts in which its operation has shown that its provisions cannot be made to apply.

We are gratified to learn that Your Honour's Government has given considerable attention to the question of the supply of water for general purposes in certain parts of the *Territories*; and that the work carried on during the past season has shown that the difficulty—which has truly in some cases almost seemed to be insurmountable—is one that in nearly every instance can be removed; and we will be prepared to provide such means for extending the work already done and prosecuting it with vigour as may appear to be necessary.

We are interested to hear it announced that the initiatory work of the Department of Agriculture has already been attended with a considerable amount of success; and that a number of stock owners in various parts of the *Territories* are availing themselves of the opportunity afforded to improve their herds by the introduction of thoroughbred animals under the supervision of the Department; and also that arrangements have been completed for the operation this year of an experimental station near *Calgary* at which demonstrations of agricultural possibilities under local conditions will be afforded; and that arrangements for the establishment of other similar stations in other parts of the *Territories* are receiving attention.

We agree with Your Honour that the practical test to which the election law of the *Territories* has recently been subjected has indicated the directions in which the procedure may be improved and we will give due attention to any measures having that end in view which may be brought down.

We are thankful to Your Honour for the information that the Public Accounts for the sixteen months ending with the close of the last calendar year, together with the estimates for the current year, will be laid before us.

Our attention will be given to Bills declaring the law of Partnership, to provide for the winding up of Joint Stock Companies, to deal with Noxious Weeds, Villages, the Inspection of Stock and any other matters which may come before us.

Your Honour may rest assured that our most earnest consideration will be given to these subjects and to all matters affecting the public good that may come before us, and we trust with Your Honour that our deliberations will result in the promotion of the interests and welfare of the *Territories*.

And the Question being proposed,
And a Debate arising thereupon,

And the Debate continuing,

On motion of Mr. *Patrick*, seconded by Mr. *DeVeber*,
Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.

And then the House adjourned at 10:30 o'clock, p.m.

FRIDAY, 7TH APRIL, 1899.

2:30 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Ordered, That Mr. *Haultain* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Chapter 21 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting the administration of civil justice."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Haultain* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend and declare the law relating to partnership.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Friday next.

On motion of Mr. *Bennett*, seconded by Mr. *Elliott*,

Ordered, That an Order of the House do issue for a return shewing copies of all reports, letters and correspondence between the Commission appointed for the consolidation of the Ordinances of the *Territories* or any member thereof and the Government with reference to "The Territories Elections Ordinance."

On motion of Mr. *Bennett*, seconded by Mr. *Wallace*,

Ordered, That an Order of the House do issue for a return shewing copies of all documents, petitions, resolutions, correspondence and other papers in the possession of the Government relating to the establishment of an experimental agricultural station at *Calgary*.

On motion of Mr. *Wallace*, seconded by Mr. *Cross*,

Ordered, That an Order of the House do issue for a return shewing :

- (1) Names of stock and hide inspectors in the *Territories* :
- (2) Number of cattle and hides inspected by each in the year 1898.

Mr. *Ross*, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, laid on the Table:—

The Report of the Department of Public Works for the year 1898.

(*Sessional Papers No. 1*).

The House then resumed the adjourned Debate on the Question, which was on yesterday proposed: "That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor to offer the respectful thanks of this House to His Honour for the gracious Speech he has been pleased to make to this House, namely:—

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And the Question being again proposed,

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the said Address be engrossed and presented to His Honour by such Members of this House as are of the Executive Council.

And then the House adjourned at 5 o'clock, p. m.

MONDAY, 10TH APRIL, 1899.

2:30 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The following Petitions were presented:—

By Mr. *McCauley*,—Of *T. A. Stephen* and others praying for the incorporation of The Edmonton Club of the Town of *Edmonton*.

By Mr. *McCauley*,—Of *Edward C. Dawson* and others praying for the incorporation of The Municipality of the Town of *Minto*.

By Mr. *McCauley*,—Of *Thomas Anderson* and others praying that the prayer of the Petition for the incorporation of the Municipality of the Town of *Minto* be not granted.

By Mr. *Rosenroll*,—Of *Anton Andreason* and others praying for a more effective system of threshers' liens.

On motion of Mr. *Bennett*, seconded by Mr. *Villeneuve*,

Ordered, That an Order of this House do issue for a Return showing:—

(1) Dates on which the Clerk of the Executive Council received the return from the returning officers of the names of the candidates elected in the several constituencies in which no poll was held in the General Territorial Election of 1898;

(2) Dates on which the Clerk of the Executive Council received from the several sheriffs of the Territories the certificate mentioned in Section 118 of The Territories Election Ordinance, specifying names of constituencies and name of successful candidate in each, after the said General Election of 1898;

(3) Dates of the issues of The North-West Territories Gazette between November 1st 1898, and April 1st 1899.

On motion of Mr. *McLeod*, seconded by Mr. *Shera*,

Ordered, That an Order of this House do issue for a Return shewing copies of all telegrams, letters and correspondence

between Mr. *Betts*, late member for *Prince Albert East*, and the Government or any member thereof in the months of October, November and December 1898, and January, February and March 1899.

And then the House adjourned at 3:30 o'clock, p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 11TH, 1899.

2:30 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Ordered, That Mr. *Haultain* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Chapter 22 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting clerks and deputy clerks."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Haultain* have leave to introduce a Bill respecting the winding up of joint stock companies.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Haultain* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Chapter 90 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting insane persons."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Thursday next.

Mr. *Bulyea*, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table the following papers:—

Return to an Order of the House dated April 7, 1899, for a Return shewing:—

- (1) Names of stock and hide inspectors in the Territories;
- (2) Number of cattle and hides inspected by each in the year 1898.

(*Sessional Papers No. 2*).

Return to an Order of the House dated April 10, 1899, for a Return shewing:—

- (1) Dates on which the Clerk of the Executive Council received the return from the returning officers of the names of the candidates elected in the several constituencies in which no poll was held in the General Territorial Election of 1898.

(2) Dates on which the Clerk of the Executive Council received from the several sheriffs of the Territories the certificate mentioned in Section 118 of The Territories Election Ordinance, specifying names of constituencies and name of successful candidate in each, after the said General Election of 1898.

(3) Dates of the issue of The North-West Territories Gazette between November 1st 1898, and April 1st 1899.

(*Sessional Papers No. 3*).

Return to an Order of the House dated April 7, 1899, for a Return shewing copies of all documents, petitions, resolutions, correspondence and other papers in the possession of the Government relating to the establishment of an experimental agricultural station at *Calgary*.

(*Sessional Papers No. 4*).

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 2) to amend Chapter 21 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting the administration of civil justice."

The said Bill was accordingly read a second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 3:30 o'clock, p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 12TH APRIL, 1899.

2:30 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The following Petitions were presented:—

By Mr. *Bennett*,—Of the Mayor and Council of the City of *Calgary* praying that Ordinance No. 33 of 1893 incorporating the City of *Calgary* be amended.

By Mr. *Bennett*,—Of *H. L. Briggs* and others praying that a certain road allowance in township 32, range 2, west of the 5th meridian be closed.

By Mr. *Bennett*,—Of *H. W. Notley* and others praying that no road allowances in township 32, range 2, west of the 5th meridian be closed.

By Mr. *Greely*,—Of *W. H. McNee* and others praying for a ferry across the *Saskatchewan* river at *Saskatchewan Landing*.

On motion of Mr. *Hawkes*, seconded by Mr. *McLeod*,

Ordered, That an Order of the House do issue for a Return shewing:—

(1) The name of the Chief Superintendent of Education;

- (2) His salary and travelling expenses for the last fiscal year ;
- (3) The names of the different Inspectors of schools ;
- (4) The salary and travelling expenses of each for the last fiscal year.

On motion of Mr. *Bennett*, seconded by Mr. *McDonald*,

Ordered, That an Order of the House do issue for a Return shewing in detail the cost of consolidating the Ordinances of the *Territories*, giving the names of all persons to whom money was paid, with dates, and for what purposes.

On motion of Mr. *Bennett*, seconded by Mr. *McKay*,

Ordered, That an Order of the House do issue for a Return shewing copies of all tenders, correspondence or other documents in the possession of the Government with reference to the printing of The Consolidated Ordinances.

On motion of Mr. *Bennett*, seconded by Mr. *McDiarmid*,

Ordered, That an Order of the House do issue for a Return shewing in detail sums paid for public printing by the Government since 1st January, 1897, for which tenders were not asked, to whom paid, when and for what purpose.

Ordered, That Mr. *Ross* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Chapter 72 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting villages."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Ross* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Chapter 73 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting local improvement."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Monday next.

Moved by Mr. *Patrick*, seconded by Mr. *Gillis*,

That this House do now adjourn,

And a Debate arising thereupon ; The said motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 2) to amend Chapter 21 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting the administration of civil justice" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Meyers* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned at 4:30 o'clock, p.m.

THURSDAY, 13TH APRIL, 1899.

2:30 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. *Gillis*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the following Report:—

The Standing Committee on Standing Orders beg to report as follows:—

The Committee have had under consideration the Petition of the Council of the City of *Calgary* praying for certain amendments to Ordinance No. 33 of 1893, incorporating the City of *Calgary*;

The Committee find that the notice required by the Rules governing applications for Private Bills has not been given so far as publication in the official gazette is concerned, and so far as the amount of publication in any local paper is concerned; but in view of the publication that has been made, are of opinion that sufficient notice has been given, and would recommend the suspension of Rule 59;

The fee of one hundred dollars has been paid to the Clerk of the Assembly: Without passing any opinion thereon, the Committee would call the attention of the House to the important, and in some instances, somewhat unusual nature of the amendments proposed in this Bill, but recommend that leave be given for the introduction of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. *Gillis*, seconded by Mr. *Lake*,

Ordered, That an Order of the House do issue for a Return shewing:—

(1) Cost of operating steam well-borer No. 1 during the season of 1898, including repairs, casing for wells, pumps and pump houses;

(2) Number of tests made and number of such where a supply of water was obtained;

(3) Average depth of such tests;

(4) Is there a supply of water in all wells that have been equipped with pumps and pump houses.

On motion of Mr. *Villeneuve*, seconded by Mr. *Shera*,

Ordered, That an Order of the House do issue for a Return shewing:—

(1) Names of parties who put in tenders for the construction of *Cunningham* bridge across the *Sturgeon* river in *St. Albert* settlement;

(2) The respective amount of each tender ;

(3) The name of the party who was awarded the contract.

On motion of Mr. *McLeod*, seconded by Mr. *Elliott*,

Ordered, That an Order of the House do issue for a Return shewing the names of all persons now in the employment of the Government at *Regina*, with dates of employment and salary paid to each.

Mr. *Bennett* presented a Bill to amend Ordinance No. 33 of 1893, intituled "An Ordinance to incorporate the City of *Calgary*" and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be referred to the Standing Committee on Municipal Law.

Ordered, That Mr. *McCauley* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Chapter 85 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance for the protection of game."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Rosenroll* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Chapter 77 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting fences."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bulyea* have leave to introduce a Bill respecting noxious weeds.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bulyea* have leave to introduce a Bill to require the owners of threshing and other machines to guard against accidents.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Tuesday next.

Mr. *Bulyea*, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table the following papers:—

Return to an Order of the House dated April 12, 1899, for a Return shewing in detail sums paid for public printing by the

Government since January 1st, 1897, for which tenders were not asked, to whom paid, when, and for what purpose.

(*Sessional Papers No. 5*).

Return to an Order of the House dated April 12, 1899, for a Return shewing:—

- (1) The name of the Chief Superintendent of Education ;
- (2) His salary and travelling expenses for the last fiscal year ;
- (3) The names of the different Inspectors of schools ;
- (4) The salary and travelling expenses of each for the last fiscal year.

(*Sessional Papers No. 6*).

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 1) to amend Chapter 3 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled “An Ordinance respecting elections,”

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 4) to amend Chapter 22 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled “An Ordinance respecting clerks and deputy clerks,”

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 6) to amend Chapter 90 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled “An Ordinance respecting insane persons,”

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 4:45 o'clock, p. m.

FRIDAY, 14TH APRIL, 1899.

2:30 O'CLOCK, P. M.

On motion of Mr. *Shera*, seconded by Mr. *McLeod*,

Ordered, That an Order of the House do issue for a Return shewing:—

- (1) The amount paid to each District Engineer by the Government from the date of his appointment up to the 31st December, 1898 ;

(2) The name of each District Engineer in the employment of the Government at the present time.

On motion of Mr. *McKay*, seconded by Mr. *Prince*,

Ordered, That an Order of the House do issue for a Return shewing:—

(1) The amount of bounty money paid out by the Government since the 31st August, 1896, for the destruction of wolves and coyotes ;

(2) The regulations or instructions under which the bounty was earned ;

(3) The total number of wolves killed for which bounty was given ;

(4) The total number of coyotes killed for which bounty was given.

On motion of Mr. *McKay*, seconded by Mr. *Prince*,

Ordered, That an Order of the House do issue for a Return shewing:—

(1) The amount of money each Electoral District received out of the item \$44,934.21 which appears in the public accounts of 1895 ;

(2) On whose recommendation the individual payments were made ;

(3) The amount recommended by each of those whose duty it was to recommend payment.

On motion of Mr. *Shera*, seconded by Mr. *Prince*,

Ordered, That an Order of the House do issue for a Return shewing:—

(1) The cost of surveying the old trail from *Fort Saskatchewan* to *Beaver Creek* ;

(2) When the said trail was surveyed and by whom.

On motion of Mr. *Shera*, seconded by Mr. *McDonald*,

Ordered, That an Order of the House do issue for a Return shewing names of Boiler Inspectors appointed by the Government with the date of their appointments and the salaries paid to each.

Ordered, That Mr. *Gillis* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Chapter 60 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, respecting threshers' liens.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *McKay* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Chapter 2 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, respecting the Legislative Assembly of the *Territories*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Wednesday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 3) to declare and amend the law of partnership,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 1) to amend Chapter 3 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting elections" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Meyers* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 4) to amend Chapter 22 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting clerks and deputy clerks" and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Meyers* reported the Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 4) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 6) to amend Chapter 90 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting insane persons" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Meyers* reported the Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 6) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5 o'clock, p.m.

MONDAY, 17TH APRIL, 1899.

2:30 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The following Petitions were presented:—

By Mr. *Smith*,—Of *E. L. Wetmore* and others praying that "The Game Ordinance" be not amended at this Session.

By Mr. *DeVeber*,—Of *C. W. Lowther* and others praying that “The Game Ordinance” be amended.

By Mr. *DeVeber*,—Of *Josiah A. Hammer* and others praying that “The Village Ordinance” be amended.

By Mr. *Villeneuve*,—Of *S. Stanlake* and others praying for the opening of a certain road in township 54, range 23, west of the 4th meridian.

On motion of Mr. *Haultain*, seconded by Mr. *Ross*,

Resolved, That *Archibald Beaton Gillis*, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of *Whitewood*, be appointed Deputy Speaker of this House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bulyea* have leave to introduce a Bill respecting agricultural societies.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bulyea* have leave to introduce a Bill respecting the inspection of stock.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Haultain* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Chapter 51 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled “An Ordinance respecting the legal profession and the law society of the *Territories*.”

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Thursday next.

Mr. *Bulyea*, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table the following papers:—

Return to an Order of the House dated April 7, 1899, for a Return shewing copies of all reports, letters and correspondence between the Commission appointed for the consolidation of the Ordinances of the *Territories* or any member thereof and the Government with reference to “The *Territories* Election Ordinance.”

(*Sessional Papers* No. 7).

Supplementary Return to an Order of the House dated April 12, 1899, for a return shewing:—

- (1) The name of the Chief Superintendent of Education ;
- (2) His salary and travelling expenses for the last fiscal year ;
- (3) The names of the different Inspectors of schools ;

(4) The salary and travelling expenses of each for the last fiscal year.

(Sessional Papers No. 8).

The Order of the day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 4) to amend Chapter 22 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting clerks and deputy clerks,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 22 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting clerks and deputy clerks."

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 6) to amend Chapter 90 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting insane persons,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 90 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting insane persons."

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 8) to amend Chapter 73 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting local improvement,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 10) to amend Chapter 85 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance for the protection of game,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 11) to amend Chapter 77 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting fences,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 3) to declare and amend the law of partnership, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported that the

Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5:10 o'clock, p. m.

TUESDAY, 18TH APRIL, 1899.

2:30 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. *Gillis*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the following Report :—

The Standing Committee on Standing Orders having had under consideration the Petition of *H. W. Notley* and others praying that certain road allowances in township 32, range 2, west of the fifth meridian, be not closed, find that the signatures of at least three Petitioners are not subscribed on the sheet containing the prayer of the Petition, as required by Rule No. 55.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Gillis*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the following Report :—

The Standing Committee on Standing Orders having had under consideration the following Petitions recommend that the same be received :

(1) The Petition of *Josiah A. Hamner* and others praying for certain amendments to The Village Ordinance ;

(2) The Petition of *E. L. Wetmore* and others praying that no amendment be made to The Game Ordinance ;

(3) The Petition of *C. W. Lowther* and others praying for amendments to The Game Ordinance ;

(4) The Petition of *W. P. Anderson* and others praying that the Bill for the incorporation of the Town of *Minto* be not passed ;

(5) The Petition of *James Young* and others praying for certain amendments to The Irrigation Ordinance.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and concurred in.

Mr. *Gillis*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented the following Report :—

The Standing Committee on Standing Orders having had under consideration the following Petitions recommend that the same be not received, as they violate the provisions of Rule No. 57 by asking for grants of money or charges upon the

revenue, and have not been recommended by Message from the Lieutenant Governor :

(1) Petition of *S. Stanlake* and others praying for the opening of a certain road in township 54, range 23, west of the fourth meridian ;

(2) The Petition of *W. H. McNee* and others praying for the establishment of a Ferry at *Saskatchewan Landing* ;

(3) The Petition of *H. L. Briggs* and others praying for the closing of a certain road and survey in township 32, ranges 2 and 3, west of the fifth meridian.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and concurred in.

Mr. *Gillis*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the following Report :—

The Standing Committee on Standing Orders having had under consideration the Petition of *Edward C. Dawson* and others praying for a Private Bill erecting a certain area into a Town Municipality to be known as the Municipality of the Town of *Minto*, beg to report as follows :

The Committee find that the Petitioners have complied with the Rule regarding notices for private Bills ;

The Committee further find that the Petitioners have paid the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly the necessary fee of one hundred dollars ;

The Committee also find that Rule No. 55, requiring the signatures of at least three Petitioners to be subscribed on the sheet containing the prayer of the petition, has not been complied with, but recommend that the said Rule be suspended and that leave be given for the introduction of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. *Meyers*, seconded by Mr. *Haultain*,

Ordered, That an Order of the House do issue for a Return shewing :—

(1) The total amount of fees received by the various clerks of the Supreme Court of the *North-West Territories* during the last fiscal year ;

(2) The part of this amount in each instance retained by the clerk to his own use and as his salary.

Mr. *Bulyea*, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table :—

Return to an Order of the House dated April 12, 1899, for a Return shewing in detail the cost of consolidating the Ordinances of the *Territories*, giving names of all persons to whom money was paid, with dates, and for what purpose.

(*Sessional Papers No. 9*).

Mr. *Ross*, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table the following papers :—

Return to an Order of the House dated April 14, 1899, for a Return shewing :—

(1) The cost of surveying the old trail from *Fort Saskatchewan* to *Beaver Creek* ;

(2) When the said trail was surveyed and by whom.

(*Sessional Papers No. 10*).

Return to an Order of the House dated April 14, 1899, for a Return shewing :—

(1) The amount of money each electoral district received out of the item of \$44,934.21, which appears in the public accounts of 1895 ;

(2) On whose recommendation the individual payments were made ;

(3) The amount recommended by each of those whose duty it was to recommend payment.

(*Sessional Papers No. 11*).

Return to an Order of the House dated April 14, 1899, for a Return shewing :—

Names of Boiler Inspectors appointed by the Government with the date of their appointments and the salaries paid to each.

(*Sessional Papers No. 12*).

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 12) respecting noxious weeds,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 13) to require the owners of threshing and other machines to guard against accidents,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 8) to amend Chapter 73 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting local improvement" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Gillis* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 10) to amend Chapter 85 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance for the protection of game" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Gillis* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the House to resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 11) to amend Chapter 77 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting fences,"

On motion of Mr. *Rosenroll*, seconded by Mr. *Simpson*,

Ordered, That the said Bill (No. 11) be referred to the Standing Committee on Agriculture to consider and report thereon.

And then the House adjourned at 5:15 o'clock, p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 19TH APRIL, 1899.

2:30 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The following Petition was presented :—

By Mr. *Bulyea*,—Of the Council of the Municipality of *Indian Head* praying for amendments to The Municipal Ordinance.

Mr. *Elliott*, from the Standing Committee on Municipal Law, presented the following Report :—

Your Committee have considered the Bill (No. 9) to amend Ordinance No. 33 of 1893 intituled "An Ordinance to incorporate the City of *Calgary*" and have agreed to report the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

On motion of Mr. *Patrick*, seconded by Mr. *Rosenroll*,

Ordered, That an Order of the House do issue for a Return shewing :—

Supplementing the Return ordered by this House on Thursday 13th instant, by classifying all employees of the inside division of the public service according to rank and in respect of the Department and sub-Department, branch or bureau in which each such employee is now employed, and (b) by shewing whether each such employee is temporarily or permanently engaged or on probation, and (c) by shewing what technical,

clerical or other special qualification is possessed by each such employee other than messengers, and whether the work in which each such employee is engaged requires for its performance such technical, clerical or other special qualification.

On motion of Mr. *Patrick*, seconded by Mr. *Rosenroll*,

Ordered, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor praying that he will cause copies of all Orders in Council passed under the authority of sections 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 and 29 of The Territories Public Service Ordinance and not subsequently repealed or revoked, to be laid on the Table of the House.

Mr. *Ross*, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table :—

Return to an Order of the House dated April 13, 1899, for a Return shewing:—

(1) Names of all parties who put in tenders for the construction of *Cunningham* Bridge across the *Sturgeon* River in *St. Albert* settlement;

(2) The respective amount of each tender;

(3) The name of the party who was awarded the contract.

(*Sessional Papers No. 13*).

Mr. *Bulyea*, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table :—

Return to an Order of the House dated April 14, 1899, for a Return shewing :—

(1) The amount of bounty money paid out by the Government since the 31st August 1896, for the destruction of wolves and coyotes;

(2) The regulations or instructions under which the bounty was earned;

(3) The total number of wolves killed for which bounty was given;

(4) The total number of coyotes killed for which bounty was given.

(*Sessional Papers No. 14*).

On motion of Mr. *Bennett*, seconded by Mr. *Elliott*,

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 9) to amend Ordinance No. 33 of 1893 intituled "An Ordinance to incorporate the City of *Calgary*" be now read a second time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the present Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 14) to amend Chapter 60 of The Consolidated

Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting threshers' liens,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 15) to amend Chapter 2 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting the Legislative Assembly of the Territories,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 3) to declare and amend the law of partnership, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 12) respecting noxious weeds, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 10) to amend Chapter 85 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance for the protection of game" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Gillis* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5:25 o'clock, p. m.

THURSDAY, 20TH APRIL, 1899.

2:30 O'CLOCK, P. M.

On motion of Mr. *Connell*, seconded by Mr. *Patrick*,

Resolved, That whereas certain abandoned lands in the *Territories* are encumbered by liens executed by persons formerly holding such lands as homesteads, in favour of the Government of *Canada*, to secure the payment of the cost of seed grain supplied to the said persons ;

AND whereas without amendment to the Dominion Lands Act such liens must be paid by parties subsequently making homestead entries for such lands ;

AND whereas the settlement of such lands is often thereby prevented ;

AND whereas the public lands of the *North-West Territories* should and of right do belong to the people of the *North-West Territories*, and are held and managed in trust for them by the Government of *Canada* pending the establishment of provinces in these *Territories* ;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, in the opinion of this House, the Dominion Lands Act should be so amended as to provide for the cancellation of all liens encumbering lands, the homestead entries for which lands have been or may hereafter be cancelled.

On motion of Mr. *Connell*, seconded by Mr. *Patrick*,

Ordered, That a copy of the foregoing Resolution be transmitted to the Honourable the Minister of the Interior, and to the Members of the Parliament of *Canada*, who represent constituencies of the *North-West Territories* therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *McDiarmid* have leave to introduce a Bill to protect horse breeders in the *North-West Territories*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Brown* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Chapter 53 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting dentistry."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Monday next.

Mr. *Haultain*, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table the following papers :—

Return to an Order of the House dated April 18, 1899, for a Return showing :—

(1) The total amount of fees received by the various clerks

of the Supreme Court of the *North-West Territories* during the last fiscal year;

(2) The part of this amount in each instance retained by the clerk for his own use and as his salary.

(*Sessional Papers No. 15.*)

Return to an Order of the House dated April 13, 1899, for a Return shewing the names of all persons now in the employment of the Government at *Regina*, with dates of employment and salary paid to each.

(*Sessional Papers No. 16.*)

Mr. *Ross*, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, laid on the Table:

The Public Accounts of the *Territories* for the sixteen months ending December 31, 1898.

(*Sessional Papers No. 17.*)

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 5) respecting the winding up of joint stock companies,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 7) to amend Chapter 72 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting villages,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 17) respecting the inspection of stock,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 1) to amend Chapter 3 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting elections" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5:25 o'clock, p.m.

FRIDAY, 21ST APRIL, 1899.

2:30 O'CLOCK, P. M.

On motion of Mr. *McKay*, seconded by Mr. *Prince*,

Ordered, That an Order of the House do issue for a Return shewing :—

(1) The amount of money received each year from the Dominion Government by the Government of the *North West Territories* since 30th June, 1887 ;

(2) The amount of local revenue collected each year since 31st August, 1887.

On motion of Mr. *Connell*, seconded by Mr. *McDiarmid*,

Resolved, That whereas the farmers of many parts of the *Territories* have suffered much inconvenience and loss by reason of the present elevator restrictions imposed by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company and the combinations and monopolies which resulted from these restrictions and an apparent discriminatory railway policy in favour of such combinations ;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That in the opinion of this House legislation should be passed by the Parliament of *Canada* compelling all railroad companies to permit the right to anyone to build and operate elevators, warehouses or grain shutes and to give all reasonable and fairly distributed facilities to any person to load grain direct on cars.

On motion of Mr. *Connell*, seconded by Mr. *McDiarmid*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor praying that he will cause copy of the foregoing Resolution to be transmitted to the Secretary of State for *Canada* for submission to His Excellency the Governor General in Council and that copies thereof be transmitted to the Members of the Parliament of *Canada*, who represent constituencies of the *North West Territories* therein.

Ordered, That Mr. *Cross* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Chapter 74 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting irrigation districts."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *McCauley* have leave to introduce a Bill to incorporate the Town of *Minto*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *McCauley* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Chapter 55 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting veterinary surgeons."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 14) to amend Chapter 60 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting threshers' liens" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 14) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 15) to amend Chapter 2 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting the Legislative Assembly of the *Territories*" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 15) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 9) to amend Ordinance No. 33 of 1893, intituled "An Ordinance to incorporate the City of *Calgary*" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Gillis* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 3) to declare and amend the law of partnership, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Gillis* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 12) respecting noxious weeds,

and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Gillis* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 10) to amend Chapter 85 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance for the protection of game," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Gillis* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 2) to amend Chapter 31 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting the administration of civil justice" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 13) to require the owners of threshing and other machines to guard against accidents, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 5) respecting the winding up of joint stock companies, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

On motion of Mr. *Haultain*, seconded by Mr. *Gillis*,

Ordered, That, when this House adjourns, it do stand adjourned until to-morrow afternoon at half-past two o'clock.

And then the House adjourned at 10:40 o'clock, p.m.

SATURDAY, 22ND APRIL, 1899.

2:30 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The following Petition was presented :—

By Mr. *Cross*,—Of the Board of Directors of the Calgary General Hospital praying for amendments to The Calgary General Hospital Ordinance.

Mr. *McCauley*, from the Standing Committee on Agriculture presented the following Report :—

Your Committee have considered Bill (No. 11) to amend Chapter 77 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting fences," and have agreed to report the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *McCauley*, from the Standing Committee on Agriculture, presented the following Report :—

Your Committee report that in their opinion the people of the *North West Territories* are meeting with heavy losses from the depredations of coyotes who kill and destroy calves, sheep, pigs, poultry and eggs, and that these destructive animals cannot be confined to any locality, but travel throughout the breadth and width of the land in search of victims, thereby becoming a public nuisance, and that therefore in the opinion of the Committee the Government should take such measures as will tend to encourage the extermination of the coyotes under regulations from the Department of Agriculture ;

The Committee further report that, in the opinion of the Committee, The Local Improvement Ordinance should be so amended as to encourage the extermination of gophers.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and concurred in.

Mr. *Bulyea*, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, laid on the Table :—

Report of the Department of Agriculture for the year 1898.
(*Sessional Papers No. 18*).

Mr. *Ross*, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table :—

Return to an Order of the House dated April 14th, 1899, shewing :—

(1) The amount paid to each District Engineer by the Government from the date of his appointment up to 31st December, 1898 ;

(2) The name of each District Engineer in the employment of the Government at the present time.

(*Sessional Papers No. 19*).

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of

the Bill (No. 14) to amend Chapter 60 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting threshers' liens,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 60 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting threshers' liens."

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 15) to amend Chapter 2 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting the Legislative Assembly of the *Territories*,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time,

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 2 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting the Legislative Assembly of the *Territories*."

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 18) to amend Chapter 51 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting the legal profession and the law society of the *Territories*,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the present Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 7) to amend Chapter 72 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting villages" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 7) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

Mr. *Ross*, a Member of the Executive Council, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, signed by His Honour ;

And the Message was read by Mr. Speaker (all the Members of the House standing and being uncovered) and is as follows:—

A. E. Forget :

The Lieutenant Governor transmits Estimates of certain sums required for the service of the *Territories* for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899 and for the expenses of legislation, maintenance of public institutions, salaries of the officers of the Government and Public Service, and for all other expenditures of the Government from the first day of January, 1900,

until the final passage of the estimates for the financial year of 1900, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

Government House,
Regina.

April 22, 1899.

(*Sessional Papers No. 20*).

On motion of Mr. Ross, seconded by Mr. Haultain,

Ordered, That the said Message, together with the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 17) respecting the inspection of stock, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Gillis reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 1) to amend Chapter 3 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting elections" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Gillis reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 10) to amend Chapter 85 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance for the protection of game" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Gillis reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 10) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 8) to amend Chapter 73 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting local improvement" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Gillis reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and that the

Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 5) respecting the winding up of joint stock companies and, after some time spent therein, Mr Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 10:45 o'clock, p.m.

MONDAY, 24TH APRIL, 1899.

2:30 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. *Gillis*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the following Report :—

The Standing Committee on Standing Orders having had under consideration the Petition of *T. A. Stephens* and others praying for the incorporation of The Edmonton Club beg to report as follows :

The Petitioners have complied with all the rules governing applications for Private Bills and the Committee therefore recommend that leave be given for the introduction of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and concurred in.

Mr. *Gillis*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented the following Report :—

The Standing Committee on Standing Orders beg to report as follows :

The Committee have had under consideration the Petition of the Board of Directors of the Calgary General Hospital praying for certain amendments to The Calgary General Hospital Ordinance and find :

That no notice of application for the Bill has been published, as required by the rules of the House ;

That the prescribed fee has been paid ;

The Committee recommend that the rules governing publication of notice be suspended and that leave be given for the introduction of the Bill.

The Committee further recommend that Rule 60 be suspended and that the fee of one hundred dollars be returned to the Petitioners by the Clerk of the Assembly.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and concurred in.

Moved by Mr. *Patrick*, seconded by Mr. *Rosenroll*,

That the power to make Ordinances in relation to the classes of subjects now dealt with by the "Lands Titles Act 1894" should be vested in this Legislative Assembly, and that two lands registration districts, each served by one registry office, would be quite sufficient to serve the needs of the people of these *Territories*.

And the Question being proposed, the House divided; and the names, being called for, were taken down as follows:—

YEAS:—Messieurs HAULTAIN,
ROSS,
BULYEA,
BROWN,
FISHER,
GREELEY,
ROSENROLL,
DEVEBER,
PATRICK,
McCAULEY,
SIMPSON,
GILLIS,
LAKE,
SMITH.—14.

NAYS:—Messieurs HAWKES,
McINTYRE,
BRETT,
BENNETT,
ELLIOTT,
CROSS,
CONNELL,
WALLACE,
McLEOD,
PRINCE,
McKAY,
McDIARMID,
McDONALD,
MEYERS.—14.

And Mr. Speaker having voted with the yeas, it was resolved in the Affirmative.

On motion of Mr. *Brett*, seconded by Mr. *Bennett*,

Resolved, That an humble address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, praying that he will cause a Return to be laid on the Table of this House shewing copies of all letters, memorials, documents or correspondence written, sent or presented to the Federal Government at *Ottawa*, or any member thereof, by the Territorial Government, or any member thereof, with reference to the financial condition of the *Territories*, or the granting of increased legislative powers thereto, between the 1st day of January 1899, and the 15th day of April 1899, with copies of all replies to the same.

On motion of Mr. *Patrick*, seconded by Mr. *Rosenroll*,

Ordered, That an Order of the House do issue for a Return shewing :—

(1) Copies of all correspondence between *John Hughes* and others on his behalf, and the Secretary of the Council of Public Instruction, relative to the extension of the boundaries of the *Meadowdale* School District ;

(2) Copies of all correspondence between the Secretary of the *Cut Arm* School District and the Secretary of the Council of Public Instruction, relative to the payment of grants to said School District in the year 1898.

Ordered, That Mr. *DeVeber* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Chapter 16 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance to make regulations with respect to coal mines."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Cross* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Ordinance No. 22 of 1890 intituled "The Calgary General Hospital Ordinance."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *McCauley* have leave to introduce a Bill to incorporate The Edmonton Club of the Town of *Edmonton*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time on Thursday next.

Mr. *Haultain*, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table :—

Return to an Address to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, dated April 19, 1899, for copies of all Orders in Council passed under the authority of Sections 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 and 29 of The Territories Public Service Ordinance and not subsequently repealed or revoked.

(*Sessional Papers No. 21*).

Mr. *Haultain*, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table :—

Return to an Order of the House, dated April 19, 1899, for a Return supplementing the Return ordered by this House on Thursday the 13th instant, by classifying all employees of the inside division of the public service according to rank and in respect of the Department and sub-Department, branch or bureau in which each such employee is now employed, and (b) by shewing whether each such employee is temporarily or per-

manently engaged or on probation, and (c) by shewing what technical, clerical or other special qualification is possessed by each such employee other than messengers and whether the work in which each such employee is engaged requires for its performance such technical, clerical or other special qualification.

(*Sessional Papers No. 22.*)

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 10) to amend Chapter 85 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance for the protection of game,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 85 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance for the protection of game."

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 19) to protect horse breeders in the *North West Territories*,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 20) to amend Chapter 53 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting dentistry,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 21) to amend Chapter 74 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting irrigation districts,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 23) to amend Chapter 55 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting veterinary surgeons,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 16) respecting agricultural societies,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

On motion of Mr. *McCauley*, seconded by Mr. *Simpson*,

Ordered, That the Order of the Day for the second reading on Tuesday next of Bill (No. 22) to incorporate the Town of *Minto* be discharged and the Bill be now read a second time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be referred to the Standing Committee on Municipal Law.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 3) to declare and amend the law of partnership and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 3) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 12) respecting noxious weeds, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 12) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 11) to amend Chapter 77 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting fences" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 18) to amend Chapter 51 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting the legal profession and the law society of the Territories" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 18) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 17) respecting the inspection of stock and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 17) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 8) to amend Chapter 73 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting local improvement" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 5) respecting the winding up of joint stock companies and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 5) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 2) to amend Chapter 31 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting the administration of civil justice" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 2) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5:25 o'clock, p.m.

TUESDAY, 25TH APRIL, 1899.

2:30 O'CLOCK, P. M.

On motion of Mr. *Bennett*, seconded by Mr. *Brett*,

Ordered, That an Order of the House do issue for a Return shewing :—

(1) Copies of all tenders received by the Government for the supplying of pumps and pumping apparatus between 1st September, 1897 and 15th April, 1899 ;

(2) Names of persons or companies from whom pumps and pumping apparatus were purchased during that period ;

(3) Sums paid to each therefor during same period.

On motion of Mr. *Bennett*, seconded by Mr. *Wallace*,

Ordered, That an Order of the House do issue for a Return shewing :—

(1) By whom the Report of the Public Works Department was printed ;

(2) What was the cost of same ;

(3) Number of copies of same ordered.

On motion of Mr. *Bennett*, seconded by Mr. *Elliott*,

Ordered, That an Order of the House do issue for a Return shewing :—

(1) By whom the Public Accounts Report was printed ;

(2) What was the cost of same ;

(3) Number of copies of same ordered.

On motion of Mr. *Bennett*, seconded by Mr. *McLeod*,

Ordered, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor praying that a Return be laid before this House of all Orders in Council passed between 31st December, 1898, and 15th April, 1899, specifying the purpose of each, with the dates of passing same.

On motion of Mr. *McLeod*, seconded by Mr. *McDonald*,

Ordered, That an Order of the House do issue for a Return shewing :—

(1) The original salary which each of the present employees were receiving when they entered the Government service ;

(2) The increase or decrease each year in such salaries ;

(3) The reason for such increase or decrease.

Ordered, That Mr. *Villeneuve* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Chapter 70 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting municipalities."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bulyea* have leave to introduce a Bill to add a certain area to the municipality of *Indian Head*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bulyea* have leave to introduce a Bill to amend Chapter 69 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting agricultural societies."

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time, and

Ordered, To be read a second time at the next Sitting of the House.

Mr. *Haultain*, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table the following papers :—

(1) Return to an Address to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor for a Return shewing copies of all letters, memorials, documents or correspondence written, sent or presented to the Federal Government at *Ottawa*, or any member thereof, by the Territorial Government, or any member thereof, with reference to the financial condition of the Territories or the granting of increased legislative powers thereto, between the 1st January, 1899, and the 15th April, 1899, with copies of all replies to the same.

(*Sessional Papers No. 23*).

(2) Report of *G. H. V. Bulyea*, Esquire, on his *Yukon Expedition*.

(*Sessional Papers No. 24*).

(3) Return to an Order of the House, dated April 10, 1899, for a Return shewing copies of all telegrams, letters and correspondence between Mr. *Betts*, late member for *Prince Albert East*, and the Government or any member thereof in the months of October, November and December, 1898, and January, February and March, 1899.

(*Sessional Papers No. 25*).

(4) Return to an Order of the House dated April 21, 1899, for a Return shewing :—

(1) The amount of money received each year from the Dominion Government by the Government of the Territories since 30th June, 1897 ;

(2) The amount of local revenue collected each year since 31st August, 1897.

(*Sessional Papers No. 26*).

Mr. *Villeneuve* moved, seconded by Mr. *Shera*,

That the House do now adjourn,

And a Debate arising thereupon:—The said motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 3) to declare and amend the law of partnership,

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend and declare the law of partnership.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 12) respecting noxious weeds,

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance respecting noxious weeds.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 18) to amend Chapter 51 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting the legal profession and the law society of the *Territories*,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 51 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting the legal profession and the law society of the *Territories*."

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 17) respecting the inspection of stock,

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance respecting the inspection of stock.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 5) respecting the winding up of joint stock companies,

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance respecting the winding up of joint stock companies.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 2) to amend Chapter 31 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting the administration of civil justice,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 31 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting the administration of civil justice."

Moved by Mr. *Ross*, seconded by Mr. *Haultain*.

That this House do immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor,

And the Question being proposed, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair,

And a Debate arising thereupon,

And the Debate continuing,

And the Question being again proposed,

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The House accordingly resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

After some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported that the Committee had made some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

On motion of Mr. *Haultain*, seconded by Mr. *Ross*,

Ordered, That hereafter during the Session the House shall meet at half-past ten o'clock in the morning and, if the business of the day be not concluded at half-past twelve o'clock, Mr. Speaker shall leave the Chair until half-past two o'clock.

And then the House adjourned at 11:30 o'clock, p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 26TH APRIL, 1899.

10:30 O'CLOCK, A. M.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of the Bill (No. 7) to amend Chapter 72 of the Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting villages" being read,

And the Question being proposed that the Bill be now read a third time,

Mr. *Brett* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Bennett*,

That the Order of the Day for the third reading of the Bill (No. 7) be discharged and that the Bill be referred back to a Committee of the Whole House for the purpose of striking out Section 2,

And the Question being put on the amendment, the House divided: and the names, being called for, were taken down as follows:—

YEAS :—Messieurs HAWKES,
BRETT,
BENNETT,
CONNELL,
WALLACE,
MACLEOD,
VILLENEUVE,
McKAY,
McDIARMID,
McDONALD,
MEYERS.—11.

NAYS :—Messieurs HAULTAIN,
ROSS,
BULYEA,
BROWN,
FISHER,
McINTYRE,
ELLIOTT,
CROSS,
GREELEY,
ROSENROLL,
DEVEBER,
PATRICK,
SHERA,
PRINCE,
McCAULEY,
SIMPSON,
GILLIS,
LAKE,
SMITH.—19.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed : That the Bill (No. 7) be now read a third time ;

Mr. *McDonald* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Meyers*,

That the Order of the Day for the third reading of the Bill (No. 7) be discharged and that the Bill be referred back to a Committee of the Whole House for the purpose of inserting a clause giving villages the power to exempt grist mills or other property from taxation ;

And the Question being put on the amendment, the House divided ; and the names, being called for, were taken down as follows :—

YEAS :—Messieurs HAWKES,
BRETT,
BENNETT,
CONNELL,
WALLACE,
McLEOD,
VILLENEUVE,
McKAY,

McDONALD,
MEYERS.—10

NAYS :—Messieurs HAULTAIN,
ROSS,
BULYEA,
BROWN,
FISHER,
McINTYRE,
ELLIOTT,
CROSS,
GREELEY,
DEVEBER,
PATRICK,
SHERA,
PRINCE,
McCAULEY,
SIMPSON,
GILLIS,
LAKE,
McDIARMID,
SMITH.—19

So it passed in the Negative.

And the main Question being again proposed, It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 72 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting villages."

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 25) to amend Ordinance No. 22 of 1890 intituled "The Calgary General Hospital Ordinance,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 16) respecting agricultural societies, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill with amendments,

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 16) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

After some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported that the Committee had made

some progress and had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and that the Committee have leave to sit again at the next Sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned at 5:25 o'clock, p. m.

THURSDAY, 27TH APRIL, 1899.

10:30 O'CLOCK, A. M.

Mr. *Elliott*, from the Standing Committee on Municipal Law, presented the following Report :

Your Committee have considered the Bill (No. 22) to incorporate the Town of *Minto* and have agreed to report the Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and the Bill (No. 22) committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the present Sitting of the House.

Mr. *Haultain*, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table :—

Return to an Order of the House dated April 24, 1899, for a Return shewing :—

(1) Copies of all correspondence between *John Hughes* and others on his behalf, and the Secretary of the Council of Public Instruction, relative to the extension of the boundaries of the *Meadowvale* School District ;

(2) Copies of all correspondence between the Secretary of the *Cut Arm* School District and the Secretary of the Council of Public Instruction, relative to the payment of grants to the said School District in the year 1898.

(*Sessional Papers No. 27*).

Mr. *Haultain*, a Member of the Executive Council, by command of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, laid on the Table :—

Report of the Council of Public Instruction for the year 1898.

(*Sessional Papers No. 28*).

Mr. *Ross*, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table :—

Return to an Order of the House, dated April 25, 1899, for a Return shewing :

(1) Copies of all tenders received by the Government for the supplying of pumps and pumping apparatus between September 1st, 1897 and April 15th, 1899 ;

(2) Names of persons or companies from whom pumps and pumping apparatus were purchased during that period ;

(3) Sums paid to each therefor during same period.

(*Sessional Papers No. 29*).

Mr. *Bulyea*, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table the following papers :—

Return to an Order of the House, dated April 25, 1899, for a Return shewing :

(1) By whom the Report of the Public Works Department was printed ;

(2) What was the cost of same ;

(3) Number of copies of same ordered.

(*Sessional Papers No. 30*).

Return to an Order of the House dated April 25, 1899, for a Return shewing :

(1) By whom the Public Accounts were printed ;

(2) What was the cost of same ;

(3) Number of copies of same ordered.

(*Sessional Papers No. 31*).

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 16) respecting agricultural societies,

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance respecting agricultural societies.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 24) to amend Chapter 16 of the Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance to make regulations with respect to coal mines,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the present Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 26) to incorporate the Edmonton Club of the Town of *Edmonton*,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the present Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 27) to amend Chapter 70 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting municipalities,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the present Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 28) to add a certain area to the municipality of *Indian Head*,

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the present Sitting of the House.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 29) to amend Chapter 69 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting agricultural societies,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the present Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 19) to protect horse breeders in the *North-West Territories*, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 19) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 20) to amend Chapter 53 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting dentistry," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 20) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 21) to amend Chapter 74 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting irrigation districts," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 21) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 23) to amend Chapter 55 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting veterinary surgeons," and, after some time spent

therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 23) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 11) to amend Chapter 77 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting fences" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 11) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

11:45 O'CLOCK, A.M.

His Honour *Amedee Emmanuel Forget*, the Lieutenant Governor of the *North-West Territories*, being seated upon the Throne,

The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly read the title of Bill to be assented to as follows:—

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 85 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance for the protection of game."

The assent to this Bill was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words:

"His Honour the Lieutenant Governor doth assent to this Bill."

His Honour was then pleased to retire.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 1) to amend Chapter 3 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting elections" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 1) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 25) to amend Ordinance No. 22 of 1890, intituled "The Calgary General Hospital Ordinance" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 25) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 22) to incorporate the Town of *Minto*, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 22) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 24) to amend Chapter 16 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance to make regulations with respect to coal mines" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 24) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 26) to incorporate the Edmonton Club of the Town of *Edmonton*, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 26) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

The House according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 27) to amend Chapter 70 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting municipalities" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 27) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 28) to add certain area to the municipality of *Indian Head* and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 28) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 29) to amend Chapter 69 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting agricultural societies," and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 29) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

Ordered, That Mr. *McDonald* have leave to introduce a Bill to enable the village of *Qu'Appelle* to exempt from taxation a certain grist mill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 30) be now read a second time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time.

Ordered, That the House do immediately resolve itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 30).

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 30) be read a third time at the next Sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

After some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported that the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Gillis* reported the Resolutions accordingly, which were read as follows :—

No. 1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand seven hundred and forty dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Civil Government (Members of Executive Council and Office).

No. 2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand five hundred and forty dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Civil Government (Office of the Attorney General).

No. 3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand four hundred and eighty-five dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Civil Government (Office of the Territorial Secretary).

No. 4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand five hundred and forty dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Civil Government (Offices of the Treasury).

No. 5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand seven hundred and sixty dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Civil Government (Offices of the Public Works).

No. 6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand nine hundred and forty dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Civil Government (Office of the Agriculture Department).

No. 7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Civil Government (Office of the Department of Public Instruction).

No. 8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eight thousand eight hundred and twenty-one dollars and seventy-seven cents be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Civil Government (Miscellaneous Expenses).

No. 9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Legislation (Sessional allowance to Mr. Speaker).

No. 10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Legislation (Sessional allowance to Deputy Speaker).

No. 11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixteen thousand five hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Legislation (Indemnity of Members of the Legislative Assembly including travelling expenses).

No. 12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand six hundred and twenty-five dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Legislation (Salary of Clerk of the Legislative Assembly).

No. 13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fifty dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Legislation (Sessional allowance to Page).

No. 14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and twenty-five dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Legislation (Salaries of Sessional writers).

No. 15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Legislation (Printing and Stationery).

No. 16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Legislation (Library).

No. 17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and fifty dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Legislation (Newspapers and periodicals).

No. 18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seventy-five dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Legislation (Postages and Telegrams).

No. 19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Legislation (Elections).

No. 20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifty dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Legislation (Contingencies).

No. 21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Administration of Justice (Prosecutions and Legal Proceedings).

No. 22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and fifty dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Administration of Justice (Maintenance of persons confined under Civil Process and Ordinances).

No. 23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Administration of Justice (Law Books for Attorney General's Department).

No. 24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Administration of Justice (Library of Supreme Court, Regina).

No. 25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Administration of Justice (Law Books for Judges outside Regina).

No. 26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Administration of Justice (Registrar attending Supreme Court in banc).

No. 27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Administration of Justice (Sheriff attending Supreme Court in banc).

No. 28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Administration of Justice (Books

and other office supplies for Clerks and Sheriffs required under Ordinances).

No. 29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Administration of Justice (Grant to the widow and family of the late Honourable Mr. Justice Macleod, C.M.G.).

No. 30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Administration of Justice (Contingencies).

No. 31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Administration of Justice (Cost of Liquor License Inspection).

No. 32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Administration of Justice (Fees and Expenses of Liquor License Commissioners, and cost of meetings).

No. 33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifty dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Administration of Justice (Advertising in connection with License Administration).

No. 34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Administration of Justice (Printing Stationery, Blank Books and Forms, etc., in connection with License Administration).

No. 35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and fifty dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Administration of Justice (Contingencies in connection with License Administration).

No. 36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand two hundred and fifty-five dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Public Works (Employees and General Expenses).

No. 37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand four hundred and forty-five dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Public Works (Maintenance Legislative and Departmental Buildings and Grounds).

No. 38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nine hundred and eighty dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Public Works (Maintenance and Rent of Normal School Buildings).

No. 39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand five hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Gover-

nor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Public Works (Inspection).

No. 40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Fourteen thousand dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Public Works (Aid to Municipalities and Local Improvement Districts).

No. 41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Public Works (Inspection of Coal Mines, Steam Boilers and Public Wells).

No. 42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand two hundred and fifty dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Public Works (Miscellaneous services).

No. 43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Public Works (Repairs to Public Works).

No. 44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Public Works (Construction of Culverts).

No. 45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Twenty-four thousand and seventy dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Public Works (Construction of Bridges).

No. 46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Public Works (Surveys).

No. 47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Public Works (Purchase of and repairs to tools and implements).

No. 48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Five thousand dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Public Works (Dams and reservoirs for storage of water).

No. 49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Public Works (Ferry Accommodation).

No. 50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Eighteen thousand dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Public Works (Boring and testing for water and providing public wells).

No. 51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand five hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Public Works (Fireguards).

No. 52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten thousand

dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Public Works (Clearing and improving road from *Edmonton* to *Peace River* and opening pack trail from thence to the *Nelson River*).

No. 53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Thirty thousand dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Public Works (Clearing and grading roads).

No. 54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and forty thousand dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Education (Grants to Public Schools).

No. 55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Education (Grants to High Schools).

No. 56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thousand six hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Education (Normal Schools and Teachers' Institutes).

No. 57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Nine thousand five hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Education (Inspection of Schools).

No. 58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two hundred and fifty dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Education (Expenses connected with meetings of Council of Public Instruction).

No. 59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Education (Examinations).

No. 60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Two thousand five hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Education (Cost of education, maintenance and transportation of deaf mutes).

No. 61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Education (Grant to Dominion Educational Association).

No. 62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifty dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Education (Contingencies).

No. 63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Agriculture and Statistics (Agricultural Societies).

No. 64. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for

the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Agriculture and Statistics (To promote and encourage the importation of thoroughbred stock into the *Territories*).

No. 65. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Agriculture and Statistics (To conduct experimental agricultural work in the *Territories*).

No. 66. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand five hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Agriculture and Statistics (Destruction of Grey or Timber Wolves).

No. 67. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four thousand dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Agriculture and Statistics (Destruction of Noxious Weeds).

No. 68. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand eight hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Agriculture and Statistics (Collection and Distribution of Agricultural, Vital and other Statistics).

No. 69. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand two hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Agriculture and Statistics (Publication of Brand Book).

No. 70. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Agriculture and Statistics (Encouragement of Institute work by Agricultural Societies).

No. 71. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One hundred and fifty dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Agriculture and Statistics (Contingencies).

No. 72. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven thousand dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Hospitals, Charities and Public Health (Expenditure under Hospitals Ordinance).

No. 73. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Hospitals, Charities and Public Health (Care of incurables).

No. 74. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Seven hundred and fifty dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Hospitals, Charities and Public Health (Contingencies).

No. 75. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Six thousand five hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Miscellaneous Services (Consolidation of Ordinances).

No. 76. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Three thou-

sand four hundred and thirteen dollars and ninety-six cents be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Miscellaneous Services (Sum required to defray expenditure for salaries and expenses connected with the administration of Territorial affairs in the *Yukon* Provisional District of the *Territories*).

No. 77. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Four hundred dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Miscellaneous Services (Refund of fees paid for private bills by municipalities of *Wolseley*, *Medicine Hat*, *Strathcona* and the City of *Calgary*).

No. 78. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Ten dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Miscellaneous Services (Refund to *E. H. O. Vaudin*, of amount paid for fee with application for appointment as Notary Public).

No. 79. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding Sixty thousand dollars be granted to the Lieutenant Governor for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1899, for Estimate of amount to be voted for the Public Service of the *Territories* for the financial year ending December 31, 1900 (To defray the expenses of Legislation, Maintenance of Public Institutions, salaries of the officers of the Government and Public Service, and for all other expenditures of the Government from the first day of January 1900, up to and until the final passage of the estimates of expenditures for the financial year 1900).

The said Resolutions being read a second time were agreed to.

On motion of Mr. *Ross*, seconded by Mr. *Haultain*,

Resolved, That this House do immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Ways and Means for making good the Supply to be granted to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Gillis* reported the Resolution accordingly and the same was read as follows:—

Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor the following sums be granted out of the General Revenue Fund of the *Territories*:

For the financial year ending December 31, 1899...	\$413,625.73
For the financial year ending December 31, 1900...	60,000.00

\$473,625.73

The said Resolution being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bennett* have leave to introduce a Bill to incorporate The *Peace River* Gold Dredging Company, Limited.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 31) be now read a second time. The said Bill was accordingly read the second time, and

Ordered, To be committed to a Committee of the Whole House at the next Sitting of the House.

On motion of Mr. *Haultain*, seconded by Mr. *Ross*,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned until to-morrow afternoon at half-past two o'clock.

And then the House adjourned at 10:45 o'clock, p.m.

FRIDAY, 28TH APRIL, 1899.

2:30 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. *Meyers*, from the Standing Committee on Printing, presented the following Report:—

The Standing Committee on Printing beg to report as follows:

The Committee recommend that Sessional Papers numbers 11, 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 23 and 26 be printed with the Journals of the House unless the matter contained in any of them is also contained in a concise, connected or tabulated form in any of the Departmental Reports.

Ordered, That the Report be now received and concurred in.

On motion of Mr. *Prince*, seconded by Mr. *Shera*,

Resolved, That whereas there are certain settlements in the valleys of the *North Saskatchewan* River and its tributaries that have been in existence for a number of years without railroad communication or facilities for transportation of surplus produce;

And whereas these settlements have been maintained by the people in the hopes raised by the granting of numerous charters by the Dominion Parliament for the construction of railways since the first survey for the Canadian Pacific Railway;

And whereas the lack of such railway communication is seriously felt by the people residing in and near to the *Saskatchewan* Valley:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That this House urges upon the Dominion Government the necessity for taking any steps needed to ensure the opening up of the *North Saskatchewan* Valley by providing for railway communication, with outlets east and west, at an early date.

On motion of Mr. *Prince*, seconded by Mr. *Shera*,

Ordered, That a copy of the foregoing Resolution be forwarded to the Honourable the Prime Minister, the Honourable the Minister of the Interior and the Members of the Senate and House of Commons for the *North-West Territories*.

On motion of Mr. *McDonald*, seconded by Mr. *Gillis*,

Resolved, That whereas a large area of land lying to the North of the *Qu'Appelle* Valley in the District of *Assiniboia* has for several years past been well settled by farmers who have been most successful in the development of the resources of the district settled by them ;

And whereas experience has shewn that the said area is one of the richest grain producing districts in the Canadian North-West ;

And whereas the said settlers are respectively distant from a railway from 18 to 50 miles and transportation to the railway is exceeding burdensome because of the large valley of *Qu'Appelle* which lies between the district and the railway ;

And whereas many of the settlers in the district settled there under the belief that a railway, heretofore projected, would before this time have been constructed into the said district thereby affording them necessary transportation facilities for reaching the markets which at the present time can only be reached by them under great difficulties and at a heavy loss ;

And whereas settlers residing in the more remote parts of said settlement have owing to the want of transportation facilities found the difficulties of successful work so great that they have been compelled to leave the district ;

And whereas the want of such facilities hinders settlement in the said district,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That this Assembly do urge upon the Dominion Government the imperative necessity, in the interests of a valuable portion of the *Territories* of immediately making provision for the construction and operation under reasonable terms of a line of railway into and through the said settlement.

On motion of Mr. *McDonald*, seconded by Mr. *Gillis*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor praying that he will cause a copy of the foregoing Resolution to be transmitted to the Secretary of State for *Canada* for submission to His Excellency the Governor General in Council.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No.19) to protect horse breeders in the *North-West Territories*,

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to protect horse breeders in the *North-West Territories*.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 20) to amend Chapter 53 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting dentistry,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 53 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting dentistry."

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 21) to amend Chapter 74 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting irrigation districts,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 74 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting irrigation districts."

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 23) to amend Chapter 55 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting veterinary surgeons,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 55 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting veterinary surgeons."

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 11) to amend Chapter 77 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting fences,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 77 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting fences."

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 1) to amend Chapter 3 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting elections,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 3 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting elections."

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 25) to amend Ordinance No. 22 of 1890 intituled "The Calgary General Hospital Ordinance,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 22 of 1890 intituled "The Calgary General Hospital Ordinance."

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 24) to amend Chapter 16 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance to make regulations with respect to coal mines,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 16 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance to make regulations with respect to coal mines."

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 26) to incorporate the Edmonton Club of the Town of *Edmonton*,

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to incorporate the Edmonton Club of the Town of *Edmonton*.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 27) to amend Chapter 70 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting municipalities,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 70 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting municipalities."

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 28) to add certain area to the municipality of *Indian Head*,

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to add certain area to the municipality of *Indian Head*.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 29) to amend Chapter 69 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting agricultural societies,"

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 69 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting agricultural societies."

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 22) to incorporate the Town of *Strathcona*,

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to incorporate the Town of *Strathcona*.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 30) to enable the village of *Qu'Appelle* to exempt from taxation a certain grist mill,

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to enable the village of *Qu'Appelle* to exempt from taxation a certain grist mill.

Mr. *Ross*, a Member of the Executive Council, laid on the Table :—

Return to an Order of the House dated April 13, 1899, for a Return shewing :

(1) Cost of operating steam-well-borer No. 1 during the season of 1898, including repairs, casing for wells, pumps and pump-houses ;

(2) Number of tests made and number of such where a supply of water was obtained ;

(3) Average depth of such tests ;

(4) Supply of water in all wells that have been equipped with pumps and pump-houses.

(*Sessional Papers No. 32.*)

Ordered, That Mr. *Ross* have leave to introduce a Bill for granting to the Lieutenant Governor certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Public Service for the financial year ending the Thirty-first day of December, 1899, and for other purposes relating thereto.

He accordingly presented the said Bill and the same was received and read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 32) be now read a second time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the second time.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 32) be now read a third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read a third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance for granting to the Lieutenant Governor certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Public Service for the financial year ending the Thirty-first day of December, 1899, and for other purposes relating thereto.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 8) to amend Chapter 73 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting local improvement" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 8) be now read a third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Chapter 73 of The Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting local improvement."

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 9) to amend Ordinance No. 33 of 1893 intituled "An Ordinance to incorporate the City of *Calgary*" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill (No. 9) be now read a third time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 33 of 1893 intituled "An Ordinance to incorporate the City of *Calgary*."

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the Bill (No. 31) to incorporate The *Peace River* Gold Dredging Company, Limited, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. *Gillis* reported the Bill with amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

The said amendments were then twice read and agreed to.

Moved by Mr. *Bennett*, seconded by Mr. *Greeley*,

That the Bill (No. 31) be now read a third time.

And the Question being proposed; It was moved in amendment by Mr. *Patrick*, seconded by Mr. *Villeneuve*,

That the Bill be not now read a third time but that it be read a third time this day six months,

And the Question being put on the amendment; it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being again proposed; it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The said Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That this Bill do now pass and be intituled An Ordinance to incorporate The *Peace River* Gold Dredging Company, Limited.

On motion of Mr. *Haultain*, seconded by Mr. *Ross*,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned until to-morrow afternoon at two o'clock.

And then the House adjourned at 5:20 o'clock, p. m.

SATURDAY, 29TH APRIL, 1899.

3 O'CLOCK, P. M.

His Honour *Amedee Emmanuel Forget*, the Lieutenant Governor of the North-West Territories, being seated on the Throne,

The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly read the titles of the Bills to be assented to as follows :—

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 2 of the Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting the Legislative Assembly of the Territories."

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 3 of the Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting elections."

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 16 of the Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance to make regulations with respect to coal mines."

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 21 of the Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting the administration of civil justice."

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 22 of the Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting clerks and deputy clerks."

An Ordinance to declare and amend the law of partnership.

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 51 of the Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting the legal profession and the law society of the *Territories*."

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 53 of the Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting dentistry."

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 55 of the Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting veterinary surgeons."

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 60 of the Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting threshers' liens."

An Ordinance respecting the winding up of joint stock companies.

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 69 of the Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting agricultural societies."

An Ordinance respecting agricultural societies.

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 70 of the Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting municipalities."

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 72 of the Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting villages."

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 73 of the Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting local improvement."

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 74 of the Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting irrigation districts."

An Ordinance respecting the inspection of stock.

An Ordinance to protect horse breeders in the *North-West Territories*.

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 77 of the Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting fences."

An Ordinance respecting noxious weeds.

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 90 of the Consolidated Ordinances 1898, intituled "An Ordinance respecting insane persons."

An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 22 of 1890 intituled "The *Calgary* General Hospital Ordinance."

An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 33 of 1893, intituled "An Ordinance to incorporate the City of *Calgary*."

An Ordinance to add certain area to the municipality of *Indian Head*.

An Ordinance to incorporate the Town of *Strathcona*.

An Ordinance to incorporate the Edmonton Club of the Town of *Edmonton*.

An Ordinance to enable the Village of *Qu'Appelle* to exempt from taxation a certain grist mill.

An Ordinance to incorporate The *Peace River* Gold Dredging Company, Limited.

The assent to these Bills was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words :

"His Honour the Lieutenant Governor doth assent to these Bills."

Mr. Speaker then said :

May it Please Your Honour :

The Legislative Assembly of the *North-West Territories*, in Session assembled, approach Your Honour at the close of our labours with sentiments of unfeigned loyalty and humbly beg to present for Your Honour's acceptance a Bill intituled An Ordinance for granting to the Lieutenant Governor certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Public Service for the financial year ending the Thirty-first day of December, 1899, and for other purposes relating thereto; thus placing at the disposal of the Lieutenant Governor the means by which the Government can be made efficient for the service and welfare of the *Territories*.

The assent to this Bill was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words :

"His Honour the Lieutenant Governor doth thank the Legislative Assembly, accepts their benevolence and assents to this Bill."

His Honour then delivered the following speech :

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

In releasing you from further attendance at this the First Session of the Fourth Legislative Assembly of the *Territories*, I have to express my appreciation of the attention and diligence you have manifested in the performance of your public duties during the Session and the consideration you have given to measures important to the welfare of the *Territories*, notwithstanding the claims of private affairs at a season of the year when their demands are most urgent.

I notice with satisfaction and have given my assent with pleasure to the measures which you have, amongst others, adopted for declaring the law with respect to Partnerships ; for the improvement of the condition of workers in Coal Mines with respect to their hours of labour ; for making more efficacious and beneficial the laws relating to Local Improvement, Noxious Weeds, Threshers' Liens, Agricultural Societies and the Inspection of Stock ; for the relief of the condition of those unfortunate people afflicted with insanity ; for the education of deaf and dumb children ; for dealing with the important matter of the registration of pedigreed horses ; and to facilitate the winding up of Joint Stock Companies.

I thank you for the provision you have made for the public services, and regret that the state of the public finances is such that a number of services of undoubted importance could not be provided for.

I now take leave of you in the trust and expectation that your labours will meet with ample reward in the safety and security you have afforded for life, property and the investment of capital in the *Territories*, and general advantage to the people.

Mr. Bulyea then said :

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

It is His Honour the Lieutenant Governor's will and pleasure that this Legislative Assembly be prorogued until it shall please His Honour to summon the same for the despatch of business, and the Legislative Assembly is accordingly prorogued.

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- (1) Names of stock and hide inspectors in the *Territories*;
- (2) Number of cattle and hides inspected by each in the year 1898. (*Not Printed.*)

3.—Return showing:—

- (1) Dates on which the Clerk of the Executive Council received the returns from the returning officers of the names of the candidates elected in the several constituencies in which no poll was held in the General Territorial Election of 1898 ;
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4.—Return showing copies of all documents, petitions, resolutions, correspondence and other papers in the possession of the Government relating to the establishment of an Experimental Agricultural Station at Calgary. (*Not Printed.*)

5.—Return showing in detail sums paid for public printing by the Government since 1st January, 1897, for which tenders were not asked, to whom paid, when and for what purpose. (*Not Printed.*)

6.—Return showing:—

- (1) The name of the Chief Superintendent of Education;
- (2) His salary and travelling expenses for the last fiscal year;

- (3) The names of the different inspectors of schools;
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7.—Return showing copies of all reports, letters and correspondence between the Commission appointed for the Consolidation of the Ordinances of the *Territories* or any member thereof and the Government with reference to The Territories Elections Ordinance. (*Not Printed.*)

8.—Supplementary return showing:—

- (1) The name of the Chief Superintendent of Education;
- (2) His salary and travelling expenses for the last fiscal year;
- (3) The names of the different inspectors of schools;
- (4) The salaries and travelling expenses of each for the last fiscal year. (*Not Printed.*)

9.—Return showing in detail the cost of consolidating the Ordinances of the *Territories*, giving names of all persons to whom money was paid, with dates, and for what purpose. (*Not Printed.*)

10.—Return showing:—

- (1) The cost of surveying the old trail from *Fort Saskatchewan* to *Beaver Creek*;
- (2) When the said trail was surveyed and by whom. (*Not Printed.*)

11.—Return showing:—

- (1) The amount of money each Electoral District received out of the item \$44,934.21 which appears in the public accounts of 1895;
- (2) On whose recommendation the individual payments were made;
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12.—Return showing names of boiler inspectors appointed by the Government, with the dates of their appointments and the salary paid to each. (*Not Printed.*)

13.—Return showing:—

- (1) Names of the parties who put in tenders for the construction of *Cunningham* bridge across the *Sturgeon* River in *St. Albert* settlement;
- (2) The respective amount of each tender;
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14.—Return showing:—

- (1) The amount of bounty money paid by the Government since the 31st August, 1896, for the destruction of wolves and coyotes;
- (2) The regulations or instructions under which the bounty was earned;
- (3) The total number of wolves killed for which bounty was given;
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15.—Return showing:—

- (1) The total amount of fees received by the various Clerks of the Supreme Court of the *North-West Territories* during the last fiscal year;
- (2) The part of this amount in each instance retained by the Clerk to his own use and as his salary. (*Printed.*)

16.—Return showing the names of all persons now in the employment of the Government at Regina, with dates of employment and salary paid to each. (*See Sessional Paper No. 22 printed.*)

17.—PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.—For the sixteen months ending 31st December, 1898. (*Printed separately.*)

18.—DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.—Report for the year 1898. (*Printed separately.*)

19.—Return showing:—

- (1) The amount paid to each district engineer by the Government from the date of his appointment up to the 31st December, 1898;
- (2) The name of each district engineer in the employment of the Government at the present time. (*Not Printed.*)

20.—ESTIMATES.—Estimated sums required for the services of the *Territories* for the financial year ending 31st December, 1899, and from 1st January, 1900, until the final passage of the estimates for the financial year 1900. (*Printed separately.*)

21.—Return showing copies of Orders-in-Council passed under authority of Sections 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 and 29 of The *Territories Public Service Ordinance* and not subsequently repealed or revoked. (*See Sessional Paper No. 22 printed.*)

22.—Supplementary return, classifying all employees of the inside division of the public service according to rank and in respect of the Department and sub-Department branch or bureau in which each such employee is now employed, and (b) by showing whether each such employee is temporarily or permanently engaged or on probation, and (c) by showing what technical, clerical or other special qualification is possessed by each such employee other than messengers, and whether the work in which each such employee is engaged requires for its performance such technical, clerical or other special qualification. (*Printed.*)

23.—Return showing copies of all letters, memorials, documents or correspondence written, sent or presented to the Federal Government at Ottawa, or any member thereof, by the Territorial Government, or any member thereof, with reference to the financial condition of the Territories, or the granting of increased legislative powers thereto, between the 1st day of January, 1899, and the 15th day of April, 1899, with copies of all replies to the same. (*Printed.*)

24.—Report of *G. H. V. Bulyea*, Esquire, on his *Yukon* expedition. (*Not Printed.*)

25.—Return showing copies of telegrams, letters and correspondence between *Mr. Betts*, late member for *Prince Albert East*, and the Government or any member thereof in the months of October, November and December, 1898, and January, February and March, 1899, *re Prince Albert East* election. (*Not Printed.*)

26.—Return showing:—

- (1) The amount of money received each year from the Dominion Government by the Government of the *Territories* since 30th June, 1897;
- (2) The amount of local revenue collected each year since 31st August, 1897. (*Printed.*)

27.—Return showing:—

- (1) Copies of all correspondence between *John Hughes* and others on his behalf, and the Secretary of the Council of Public Instruction, relative to the extension of the boundaries of the *Meadowvale* School District;
- (2) Copies of all correspondence between the Secretary of the *Cut Arm* School District and the Secretary of the Council of Public Instruction, relative to the payment of grants to said School District in the year 1898. (*Not Printed.*)

28.—COUNCIL OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.—Report for the year 1898. (*Printed separately.*)

29.—Return showing:—

- (1) Copies of all tenders received by the Government for

the supplying of pumps and pumping apparatus between September 1st, 1897, and April 15th, 1899;

- (2) Names of persons or companies from whom pumps and pumping apparatus were purchased during that period;
- (3) Sums paid to each therefor during same period. (*Not Printed.*)

30.—Return showing:—

- (1) By whom the Report of the Public Works Department was printed;
- (2) What was the cost of same;
- (3) Number of copies of same ordered. (*Not Printed.*)

31.—Return showing:—

- (1) By whom the Public Accounts Report was printed;
- (2) What was the cost of same;
- (3) Number of copies of same ordered. (*Not Printed.*)

32.—Return showing:—

- (1) Cost of operating well borer No. 1 during the season of 1898, including repairs, casing for wells, pumps and pump houses;
- (2) Number of tests made and number of such where a supply of water was obtained;
- (3) Average depth of such tests;
- (4) Supply of water in all wells that have been equipped with pumps and pump houses. (*Not Printed.*)

RETURN.

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To an Order of the House, dated April 14th, 1898, for a Return showing :—

- (1) The amount of money each Electoral District received out of the item \$44,934.21 which appears in the public accounts of 1895;
- (2) On whose recommendation the individual payments were made;
- (3) The amount recommended by each of those whose duty it was to recommend payment.

J. H. Ross,
Commissioner of Public Works.

District.	Amount.
South Regina.....	\$ 5,741.36
North Regina.....	18,259.52
Moose Jaw	11,610.75
South Qu'Appelle.....	8,262.22
General Expenses.....	1,060.35
	<hr/> \$44,934.21

The recommendations for payment were made by the then existing Executive Committee.

RETURN..

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To an Order of the House, dated April 18th, 1899, for a Return showing:

- (1) What was the total amount of fees received by the various Clerks of the Supreme Court of the *North-West Territories* during the last fiscal year;
- (2) What part of this amount in each instance was retained by the Clerk to his own use and as his salary.

G. H. V. BULYEA,
Territorial Secretary.

Judicial District or sub-district.	Name of Clerk or Deputy Clerk.	Total amount of Fees received during year ended 31st Dec. 1898.	Amount retained by Clerk or Deputy Clerk under Ordinance No. 8 of 1894.
Northern Alberta.....	L. J. Clark, Clerk	\$1,458.56	\$1,485.56
Edmonton District	Alex. Taylor, Deputy Clerk..	1,174.85	1,174.85
Southern Alberta.....	C. N. Campbell, Clerk.....	1,146.80	1,146.80
Medicine Hat District..	W. T. Finlay, Deputy Clerk..	77.95	77.95
Saskatchewan	C. de La Gorgendiere, Clerk..	881.93	881.93
Battleford District.....	L. R. Noel, Deputy Clerk.....	43.10	43.10
Western Assiniboia.....	Dixie Watson, Clerk.....	1,609.05	1,76.305
Moose Jaw District....	Seymour Green, Deputy Clerk	544.72	544.72
Eastern Assiniboia	Oliver Neff, Clerk.....	2,194.56	1,966.74
Yorkton District.....	W. D. Dunlop, Deputy Clerk.	312.28	312.28

. RETURN.

[22]

To an Order of the House, dated April 19th, 1899, for a Return supplementing the Return ordered by this House on Thursday 13th instant by (a) classifying all employees of the inside division of the public service according to rank and in respect of the Department and sub-Department branch or bureau in which each such employee is now employed, and (b) by shewing whether each such employee is temporarily or permanently engaged or on probation, and (c) by shewing what technical, clerical or other special qualification is possessed by each such employee other than messengers, and whether the work in which each such employee is engaged requires for its performance such technical, clerical or other special qualification.

G. H. V. BULYEA,

Territorial Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

John A. Reid, Clerk of the Executive Council and Queen's Printer. Permanent. Held the office of Clerk of the Executive Committee prior to the establishment of the first Executive Council and has made a special study of the work of the Executive Council. Has had nine years' experience of the manner in which public business is conducted in various offices of the Dominion and Territorial public services, and has a general acquaintance with the work devolving upon every Department of the latter. Is also employed in connection with various matters that do not range themselves with the work of any special Department, for which his varied and general information are special qualifications. Was appointed Queen's Printer in 1895 and still holds the office in conjunction with that of Clerk of the Executive Council. Has a thorough practical knowledge of all matters appertaining to printing work, having been connected with the business in various capacities, both in England and Canada. Technical, clerical and special qualifications all being utilised. Salary, \$1,500.00.

F. S. Pingle, Clerk and Stenographer. Permanent. Has been employed in the Territorial public service since November, 1891. Knowledge acquired during such service in daily use. Salary, \$720.00.

DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

H. A. Robson, Deputy Attorney General. Permanent.

Advocate of the Territories, enrolled September, 1892. Salary, \$1,500.00.

Victor Dodd, Chief License Inspector. Permanent. Previous to appointment as Chief License Inspector was engaged as clerk, his duties including certain work in connection with the license department. Has filled the position of Chief License Inspector during the periods October, 1895, to February, 1898, and August, 1898, to present time, and so acquired thorough knowledge of working of Territorial license system. Salary, \$900.00.

Frederick Young, Clerk. Permanent. Prior to appointment had been deputy clerk of the Supreme Court at Regina for over five years. Has special knowledge of official duties of clerks of court, magistrates and other officials under supervision of department. Salary, \$720.00.

George S. Gamble, Stenographer and general clerk. Permanent. Has had previous experience as clerk in law office. Salary, \$420.00.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TERRITORIAL SECRETARY.

R. B. Gordon, Assistant Territorial Secretary. Permanent. Has been in the Government service since October, 1885. Appointed by the Dominion Government Clerk of the Legislative Assembly and Secretary to the Lieutenant Governor in July, 1888, under The North-West Territories Act, and on repeal of the section of the Act authorising such Federal appointments was appointed by the North-West Government Clerk of the Legislative Assembly and Assistant Territorial Secretary in October, 1897. Graduate Trinity College, Dublin. Member of the Irish Bar and Advocate of the North-West Territories. Salary paid as Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

C. A. W. Lethbridge, Clerk. Permanent. Compilation of medical and agricultural statistics and general office work. Has been in public service in Territories for fifteen years. Previously employed in Lieutenant Governor's office and Education Department. Salary, \$780.00.

Mrs. Hayes, Clerk. Permanent. Employed in connection with vital statistics and correspondence. In service eleven years. Stenographer, typewriter and Second Class teacher's certificate. Salary, \$660.00.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY.

John A. Reid, Assistant Treasurer. Permanent. Has had experience in various mercantile and Government offices, dating from the year 1877. Work being performed requires such experience. Salary paid as Clerk of the Executive Council.

C. W. Peters, Clerk (Accountant). Permanent. Has been employed in the service of the North-West Government for ten

years, in connection with the accountant's office. Was previously employed in the Audit office of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company and in the Merchants Bank of Canada at Winnipeg. Experience valuable and necessary. Salary, \$1,000.00.

A. Bourget, Clerk. Permanent. Has been employed in the service of the North-West Government for nearly ten years in connection with the accountant's office. Experience gained during service being utilised in daily work performed. Renders special service in the translation of French documents. Salary, \$840.00.

AUDIT BRANCH.

J. C. Pope, Territorial Auditor. Permanent. Entered the service of the North-West Government on 5th October, 1885, as clerk in Accountant's Department. Appointed Assistant Accountant in 1889 and Chief License Inspector in 1892. Appointed Accountant in 1893. Resigned as Chief License Inspector and Accountant on appointment as Territorial Auditor in October, 1895. Prior to employment under Government of the North-West Territories was employed in the post office service of the Dominion. Salary, \$1,800.00.

C. M. Clarke, Clerk. Permanent. Entered the service of the Government 19th January, 1891, in the Accountant's office. Remained in that department until September, 1897. Since that time has been employed in the Territorial Auditor's office. Technical knowledge in bookkeeping and accountant work acquired during a period of over eighteen years with mercantile and other business concerns prior to entering the service. Salary, \$900.00.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

J. S. Dennis, Deputy Commissioner, and Chief Surveyor and Engineer. Permanent. Dominion Typographical Surveyor and Civil and Irrigation Engineer. Twenty years' experience in practice of profession in Manitoba and Territories, and as employee of the Department of the Interior. Salary, \$2,000.00.

D. Brown, Chief Departmental Account. Permanent. Qualified accountant, twenty years' experience in England and Canada. Salary, \$900.00.

Thos. Powell, Clerk, Correspondence Branch. Permanent. Stenographer and typewriter, twenty years' experience in England as reporter and editor of newspaper and in charge of printing office, four years in Government offices in Canada. Salary, \$720.00.

G. Seymour, Correspondence Clerk. Permanent. Stenographer and typewriter, ten years' experience of office work in England and Canada. Salary, \$720.00.

Mrs. E. F. Grover, Clerk, Correspondence Branch. Permanent. Typewriter, nine years' experience in the service of the North-West Government. Salary, \$660.00.

SURVEYS AND ENGINEERING BRANCH.

R. C. Laurie, Assistant Chief Surveyor. Permanent. Graduate and Gold Medallist Royal Military College, Kingston; Dominion Lands Surveyor; sixteen years' experience in surveying in the Territories. Salary, \$1,200.00.

James T. Child, Assistant Chief Engineer. Permanent. Graduate in civil and mechanical engineering in England; eight years' experience in England, including three years on the Ordnance Survey, thirteen years' experience in practice of profession in Canada. Salary, \$1,200.00.

H. G. Green, Clerk. Temporary. Stenographer, typewriter and accountant, ten years' experience in general office work. Salary, \$2.50 per diem.

LOCAL IMPROVEMENT BRANCH.

S. C. Wilson, Clerk in charge. Permanent. Stenographer, typewriter and accountant. Salary, \$1,000.00.

INSPECTORS OF COAL MINES AND STEAM BOILERS.

Dan Evans, Inspector of Coal Mines and Steam Boilers. Permanent. Holds certificates of qualification as manager of coal mines and as engineer under English Coal Mines Act and Science and Art Department, English Government; and also certificates of ten years' service in England. Salary, \$1,000.00.

W. C. Wilcox, Inspector of Steam Boilers. Permanent. Holds First Class certificate of qualification as an engineer, and certificates of service in representative Canadian machine shops; late machinery expert for the Massey-Harris Company. Salary, \$1,000.00.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

C. W. Peterson, Deputy Commissioner. Permanent. Received practical instruction in agriculture and dairying in Denmark prior to entering college, where veterinary work formed part of training. In 1887 engaged in fruit farming in State of New Jersey. Operated wheat farm in Southern Manitoba during 1888 and 1889. Employed in agricultural implement business in 1890 and in Canadian Pacific Railway Company's service in 1891, was then appointed Immigration Agent of the Manitoba & North Western Railway Company; in 1892 was appointed Secretary of Dominion General Immigration Department at Winnipeg, and, upon abolition of the Department, assistant to the Superintendent of Mines and Western member of Dominion Lands Board at Calgary. Engaged in cattle ranching in 1892; sold out interest in 1894 and started general stock farm of 800 acres under irriga-

tion near Calgary. Since then engaged in breeding of pedigreed sheep, swine, poultry, horses, dairy and beef cattle. In 1897 and 1898 was employed in the Irrigation office of Department of Interior; and was appointed to Department of Agriculture in May, 1898, and Deputy Commissioner in July. Experience in public service covers six years, agriculture in Manitoba and the Territories some seven years. Is conversant with Scandinavian, German and French languages. Salary, \$1,500.00.

J. R. C. Honeyman, Chief Clerk and Accountant. Permanent. Three years' office experience in England; three years in N. W. M. P. Commissioner's Office; four years in Indian Department; two years newspaper work. Knowledge of French, shorthand, typewriting and accounts. Fourteen years in Territories. Salary, \$840.00.

T. A. Powell, Correspondence and Record Clerk. Permanent. Two years newspaper reporting in England; has been engaged at Court reporting in Territories. Stenographer and typewriter. Salary, \$600.00.

P. G. Fisher, Clerk. Temporary. General office work, making out and mailing brand certificates, addressing envelopes, etc. Previously employed in law office and Lands Titles Office, Regina. Salary, \$2.00 per diem.

J. T. Rollo, Clerk, Temporary. Brand correspondence; copying of herd district minutes and general office work. Attended business college for one year. Worked in grain exchange at Winnipeg for six months prior to employment here. Stenographer and typewriter. Salary, \$2.00 per diem.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

CLERICAL BRANCH.

E. J. Wright, Secretary. Permanent. Stenographer, typewriter, draughtsman, bookkeeper. Articled pupil in Civil Engineering, Secretary to two corporations. In Public Service of Canada for twelve years. A knowledge of stenography and typewriting is essential if the large correspondence of the department is to be attended to with despatch; skill as a draughtsman is required in the accurate construction of the maps kept as records of the formation and reorganisation of school districts; a practical knowledge of bookkeeping is required in connection with appropriations, collection of fees and payment of grants; former training as secretary of business corporations is capitalized experience for present position which four years of service has made him intimately acquainted with. Secretary to the Council of Public Instruction since 1895. Salary, \$1,200.00.

James Brown, Clerk. Permanent. Fourteen years' experience in all phases of work in connection with schools and education generally in the North-West Territories before and since the Department of Public Instruction was established. No other

person has his minute personal knowledge of our system in detail from its inception to the present. Salary, \$900.00.

John A. McLachlan, Clerk. Permanent. Stenographer, typewriter ; clerk in charge of debenture issue, records of school districts and Orders in Council ; assistant in grant calculations and correspondence. In service of the department for thirteen years. A knowledge of stenography and typewriting is of much service in the despatch of correspondence connected with his special work. His long service has given him a mastery of details that adds much to his effectiveness. Salary, \$900.00.

R. C. S. Randall, Clerk. Temporary. Employed to relieve pressure occasioned, shortly after the beginning of the year, by payment of grants ; collection of statistics ; issue of returns, regulations, Ordinances and maps ; disposal of records of annual meetings. Has an acquaintance with methods of entering, indexing and filing correspondence. Salary, \$2.50 per diem.

TECHNICAL BRANCH.

D. J. Goggin, Superintendent. Permanent. M.A., Universities of Manitoba and Victoria ; in Ontario, teacher in Public, High and Model schools ; in Manitoba, Principal Normal School and Conductor of Teachers' Institutes, Member of Council and Board of Studies of the University of Manitoba ; Member of the Council of St. John's College, Winnipeg ; Member of the Advisory Board of Education for Manitoba ; Examiner for the Department of Education, Manitoba and for the University of Manitoba. Superintendent of Education in the North-West Territories since 1893. When required by the Department of Public Instruction, he gives expert advice on all phases of school legislation and school economy. He is, under the direction of the Department, responsible for courses of study ; examination, training and certification of teachers ; examination of Public School Leaving candidates ; character of inspection ; conduct of Institutes and preparation of Report to the Assembly. His preparation for this work was obtained through a practical acquaintance with :

- (a) Public, High and Training Schools in Ontario ;
- (b) The introduction and development of Normal Schools, Teachers' Institutes and inspection in Manitoba ;
- (c) The government of the University of Manitoba, the revision of its courses of study and examination of its students ;
- (d) The work of the Manitoba Advisory Board of Education in the preparation of its courses of study, selection of text-books, examination and certification of teachers ;
- (e) The work of prominent schools in the United States through visits to Oswego, Boston, Chicago and St. Paul and the examination of the National Education Association exhibits ;
- (f) The management of Educational Associations, as a Vice-president of the Dominion Educational Association, Presi-

dent of the Higher Education Department of the Dominion Educational Association and President of the Manitoba Teachers' Association. Salary, \$3,000.00.

John Hewgill, Inspector. Permanent. First class certificate. In Ontario, teacher in Public Schools; in North-West Territories Inspector since 1886. Teacher in Normal School and Examiner. Salary, \$1,400.00

William Rothwell, Inspector. Permanent. B.A., Toronto, Specialist in Mathematics; in Ontario, teacher and Principal in Public and High Schools; in North-West Territories, Principal in High School. Inspector since 1891. Teacher in Normal Schools and Examiner. Salary, \$1,400.00.

John A. Calder, Inspector. Permanent. B.A., Manitoba, Specialist in Natural Science. In Manitoba, teacher and Principal in Public and Intermediate Schools; in North-West Territories, Principal in High School. Inspector since 1893. Teacher in Normal Schools and Examiner. Salary, \$1,400.00.

Thomas E. Perrett, Inspector. Permanent. B.A., Victoria, Specialist in Natural Science. In Manitoba and North-West Territories, teacher and Principal in Public and High Schools. Inspector since 1897. Teacher in Normal Schools and Examiner. Salary, \$1,400.00.

Duncan P. McColl, Inspector. Permanent. B.A., Toronto, Specialist in Modern Languages. In Ontario and North-West Territories, teacher and Principal in Public and High Schools and sub-examiner; appointed Inspector 1899. Salary, \$1,400.00.

As to the Inspectors generally, the Department needs scholarly men to test the scholarship of pupils in all classes of schools inspected, and to set papers for departmental examinations. It needs trained men with successful experience in Public and High Schools to report on methods and success of teachers in these schools; to suggest remedies for inefficient teaching or management and required improvements in grounds and buildings. It needs men of affairs to examine treasurers' books and in the settlement of district disputes; to encourage the formation of new districts and to report on the various matters referred to them by the department.

OFFICES OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

R. B. Gordon, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. Permanent. (*vide* Remarks above under Department of the Territorial Secretary.) Salary, \$1,500.00.

John Hawkes, Sessional-writer. Temporary. Has had a varied experience in the literary department and management of newspapers, during which he took a special interest in the English Public Library system, and acquired a wide general knowledge of books. Has, during fourteen years residence in the Territories had experience as Clerk of a Town Municipality

and Secretary and Member of various public bodies, which experience should be of practical value in gauging the requirements of the present Library. Salary, \$2.50 per diem.

Miss L. M. Hamilton, Clerk. Temporary. Typewriting; sessional work under Mr. *Gordon*. Second Class Teacher's certificate. Seven years experience in office work. Stenographer and Typewriter. Salary, \$2.00 per diem.

RETURN.

[23]

To an address to His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, dated 24th April, 1899, for a Return to be laid on the Table of this House showing copies of all letters, memorials, documents or correspondence written, sent or presented the Federal Government at Ottawa, or any member thereof, with reference to the financial condition of the Territories, or the granting of increased legislative powers thereto, between the first day of January, 1899, and the fifteenth day of April, 1899, with copies of all replies to the same.

By Order,

GEORGE H. V. BULYEA,
Territorial Secretary.

GOVERNMENT OF THE NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES OF CANADA
TREASURY DEPARTMENT

Regina, 14th January, 1899.

The Honourable

The Minister of the Interior,
Ottawa, Ont.

SIR,—I have the honour to forward to you herewith a copy of certain estimates of sums required to be appropriated by Parliament for expenditure during the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1900, upon that part of the public service of Canada usually referred to as the grant for “schools, official assistance, printing, etc.,” under the heading “Government of the North-West Territories” in the annual estimates, for the consideration of the Dominion Government.

As the matter is one which it may be considered comes more properly within your own province than that of any other member of the Dominion Government, the operations of your department, as well as your personal relations to the West, bringing you into more or less intimate relations with the Government of the Territories, it is thought advisable that further representations upon the subject should be made to you than are contained in the notes to the estimates, in order that you should be fully aware of the views of the Territorial Government with respect to it.

In order to facilitate reference to any remarks you may see fit to make when the question is considered in Council, a number of copies of the estimates and this letter are also forwarded herewith for such use as you may deem advisable.

The details of the estimates have received careful considera-

tion and are based not only upon present requirements but actual expenditures during the current year. The estimated requirements, as will be noted, aggregate \$535,000.00, to meet which revenue can only be looked for from two directions, namely, the grant to be made by Parliament and the various local sources which, until the present year, have produced about \$30,000.00 annually. Owing to unusual circumstances, a large addition was made to the local revenue during the early part of the present year, which enabled the Territorial Government to meet the demands upon its funds in some measure; but as this avenue is now closed no such further increased revenue can be looked for in future. As the requirements of the Government are in no sense diminished, attention must be directed to the grant made by Parliament. The money received from the Dominion funds forms but one item of six contained in the annual appropriation for Government of the North-West Territories, and is, as has been noted, based upon an estimate of the requirements for certain specific services in the Territories, originally made up in earlier days and added to from time to time without any serious consideration being given, on the part of the Federal Government, to the actual necessities and conditions of the country, or the application of the money appropriated. The other items included in the Federal appropriation for Government in the Territories have never yet been placed at the disposal of the Government of the Territories, being variously administered by your Department, either directly or through the Lieutenant Governor of the Territories personally.

For some seven years now the Legislative Assembly has been entrusted with the expenditure of the grant referred to. Until June 30, 1896, the expenditure was subjected to Federal audit as all other Dominion expenditures were and are still, but since that date no such check has been imposed, with relief, it is submitted, to the Auditor General and the more efficient working of Territorial financial affairs. The annual grant from the Dominion funds comprises almost the whole of the General Revenue Fund of the Territories, due to the fact that the North-West Government has not (at present, at least) any available means of raising revenue other than by licence and similar fees, which are necessarily limited in extent.

Were all the money being expended by the people upon public matters to pass through the Territorial Revenue Fund, it would be seen that the people of the country are contributing heavily to the cost of their public institutions. Wherever population exists to the extent of twelve adult persons residing upon any area of 36 square miles, the people perform, at their own charges, all the ordinary road and similar public works in their own neighbourhoods, being only assisted by the Government in cases where extraordinary expenditures are required. Expenditures for education are, in the first place, undertaken entirely at the cost of the residents of the district establishing a school. Recognising the imperative necessity existing for properly educating the children growing up in the Territories—not only in Territorial but in Dominion interests—so that they may

become thoroughly Canadian in their habits of thought, speech and action, the Legislative Assembly has, by Ordinance, undertaken to pay grants to aid school districts to efficiently maintain their schools. These grants have to be earned by absolute compliance with rigid conditions, otherwise the residents in school districts are liable for the whole cost of their schools. It is needless to add that, in the majority of cases, these conditions are complied with, with beneficial results.

CIVIL GOVERNMENT.

Owing to the peculiar circumstances of the Territories, no known system of municipal organisation can be put into effect, and as a consequence the local Government is required to interest itself in many matters that in more populous parts of the Dominion are considered to be of a purely municipal nature. This results, possibly, in a greater expenditure upon Civil Government than might be necessary were some of the duties undertaken placed upon other authorities, but, as matters stand, practically the whole of the funds contributed by the public for local improvement and school purposes are devoted directly to their objects while the cost of administration and supplying technical information falls largely upon the Government, through the Public Works and Education Departments. In this way a higher standard is maintained than would probably be the case otherwise, and at a trifling expense. It may serve to assist in making this point clear by referring to the comparative expenditures upon Government administration in the Province of Manitoba and the Territories. In the Province named the legislature appropriated the sum of \$42,800.00 for salaries of Ministers and Officials for the year 1898. In the Territories the present expenditure for the same services is at the rate of \$30,700.00 per annum (*vide* attached detailed statement) the amount of the difference between the sum of \$40,000.00 asked for in the estimates and that of \$30,700.00 here referred to being required for the services of the Government other than salaries. This latter sum includes the cost of the Government administration of 16,000 square miles of land organised in Local Improvement Districts with the technical services rendered, and also the administration of 538 School Districts. No analagous services are rendered by the Manitoba Government, the duties being performed and the cost of any such as may be required being borne by the funds contributed by the people through their municipal institutions. Unless exceptional conditions arise and entirely new services are undertaken, it is not expected that the cost of Civil Government in the Territories will materially increase for some years to come.

LEGISLATION.

The charges falling under the heading of Legislation were originally fixed by Parliament, and are being continued at the same rates. The expenditure is increasing but not in any way unnaturally.

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE, ETC.

The Territorial Government has not, as yet, been charged with the administration of criminal justice, the express wording of The North-West Territories Act having reserved the subject from the powers given to the legislature. In addition to expenditure in various ways that cannot be readily traced through the Supply Bill it is noted that Parliament at its last session appropriated the following amounts to carry on the service, namely:

Administration of Justice—

Miscellaneous Expenditure.....	\$37,000 00
Salaries of Sheriffs.....	2,500 00

Public Works—

Court houses, lock ups, etc.....	1,000 00
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Penitentiaries—

Regina Jail.....	9,800 00
Prince Albert Jail.....	6,000 00

Government of the Territories—

Incidental justice.....	2,000 00
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North-West Mounted Police—

Proportion of vote actually expended upon
administration of criminal justice, of
which no estimate can be formed.....

It is submitted that, as the Territorial Government has been compelled to bring official machinery into existence to enforce Ordinances and discharge other legal duties laid upon it, the same machinery could profitably be utilised to carry on the work at present being undertaken by the Department of Justice on behalf of the Territories. The present arrangement results in endless misunderstandings, and, it is thought, cannot possess any advantages sufficient to warrant its continuance. Expenditure upon criminal justice and other legal proceedings in the Territories is made from three sources, namely, the Department of Justice, the Department of the Interior (either directly or through the office of the Lieutenant Governor), and the Territorial Attorney General's Department. Not only the general public, but many individuals who might reasonably be expected to have some definite knowledge upon the subject, are often at a loss to know where to address themselves when dealing with affairs involving the administration of justice or other legal matters. A prominent instance of this might be noted in the discussion a few months ago upon the appointment and duties of Coroners. It will be remembered that under existing conditions the only duty devolving upon the North-West Government is that of making appointments. The incongruity of the position must at once appeal to you as being utterly indefensible. To have the right—and sole right—of appointing officials, without any right to prescribe their duties or any responsibility as to the perform-

ance of such duties when prescribed, is an anomalous condition of affairs that has only to be understood to be condemned.

In a lesser degree, but to a greater extent, the dual authority causes considerable trouble with magistrates, court officials and others. With respect to magistrates the question of the proper apportionment of penalties and forfeitures is one that it seems impossible to satisfactorily adjust in any other manner than by that in vogue in the several Provinces. In the Territories the amount of such penalties is not large, but if they, together with the Parliamentary appropriations, were transferred to the Territorial revenue, and the reservation of jurisdiction to deal with matters relating to criminal justice removed, so that the law officers of the North-West Government would have power to deal with all such matters as they arise as is the case in the Provinces, it is submitted that the result would be more economical and effective administration.

Closely connected with the question of the administration of the criminal law, but of more importance to the proper working out of the functions of Government in the Territories, is that of the control of the offices of the Registrars of Land Titles, with all that the word "control" implies. The North-West Territories Act formally gives the Legislative Assembly power to pass Ordinances relating to "property and civil rights" subject, of course, to other Dominion legislation. The practical result of the Dominion legislation upon titles to land—which comprises by far the greater part of the property visible in the Territories—has been to render nearly all the Territorial legislation dealing with property ineffective. Difficulties of this nature might be overcome by amending The Land Titles Act, as was done last year to secure the collection of taxes for school and other purposes imposed upon land, but such a method will not obviate the difficulties daily met with in dealing with the problems of Government and legislation in the Territories. The whole matter properly ranges itself with those now being dealt with by the Territorial Government. With control of the registry offices and the information they contain, together with the removal of restrictions from the power to legislate with respect to property, it would be possible to effect many needed changes in methods of assessment and other subjects which, under existing conditions, cannot be dealt with. The fact that much of the work of the registry offices is done under the provisions of The Dominion Lands Act without charge should not be considered as vitally affecting the proposal. Until these offices are placed under the management of local authority in the Territories the work of the North-West Government will continue to be seriously handicapped and hindered, and in order to secure the benefits it is believed would follow the change the Territorial Government is prepared to favourably consider any reasonable proposition which may be made respecting the work which your department requires to have done from time to time.

PUBLIC WORKS.

The greater the success attending the efforts of the immi-

gration branch of your department to induce the tide of immigration to set westward, the greater is the need for expenditure upon what are known in this country as public works. The note to the estimate under this head shows the nature of the work being carried on. In the older settled districts, expenditure by the Government in these directions is being steadily reduced, the people now doing these works for themselves as far as their financial abilities will permit. It is outside the limits of the denser settlements that Government expenditures are being made so as to afford facilities for travel, protection from prairie fires, and provide artificial water supplies where required, etc., in order to assist new settlers and enable them to gain such a footing as will tend to make them satisfied and successful.

EDUCATION.

Similar remarks apply to the expenditure upon education. The more population increases, the more money will be required to pay grants to aid in maintaining our school system. These grants are paid on a basis calculated in all its bearings to induce more regular attendance on the part of pupils, the employment of a higher grade of teachers, and a longer session in such schools as are open only part of the year. Proportionately to the work done as measured in these directions the grants are not now so high as they used to be before the introduction of the present system in 1896, but the result has been to bring about such an increase in the average attendance of pupils and the average length of school terms as to more than make up the temporary reduction in expenditure. The introduction into the Territories of colonies of people from European countries has not any tendency to simplify the education question or to reduce expenditure to a minimum. In the interests of the State, the children of these people must be educated, but they themselves are not of a class from whom assistance may be expected. The illiteracy and poverty of the parents are two powerful agents working against the attainment of any high ideal. It has already been found necessary to undertake nearly the whole cost of maintaining, for a time, certain schools in the Territories in districts occupied by foreign settlers and halfbreeds, and a similar necessity may be anticipated wherever colonies of people are established who are unable, for any reason, to properly appreciate the advantages to be derived from the education of their children.

AGRICULTURE.

If there is one thing more than another needed in the Territories, it is educational work upon agricultural lines. The people of the country are almost entirely engaged upon the land, in agricultural and pastoral pursuits, and a very considerable portion of their number entered upon their work without proper preparation or adequate knowledge. To those who are able to study the questions involved, the problems of climatic and other conditions affecting cultivation and stock raising offer an endless variety of forms. Much has been done in experimental

work by the Federal Government, but complaints are made that demonstration of the results of the work so done are not available in all parts of the country, and also that there is no guarantee that experiments under certain conditions in one locality will produce like results under different conditions in other parts. These complaints are known to be well founded and efforts are being made to meet them. In other ways the people are being encouraged to learn to understand and make the most of their opportunities, and much interest is being taken by the people in the work being done by the Department. To say that some attention to these questions is imperatively required from the Government of an agricultural country is not to belittle in any way the efforts of the Dominion to assist in its welfare, and the small amount asked for will all be well expended without in any way encroaching upon the work being carried on by the Dominion Department of Agriculture.

HOSPITALS, ETC., AND DEAF MUTES.

It will be noted that the sum of \$15,000.00 is asked for on account of expenditures necessary to assist in maintaining hospitals, relief of the afflicted and destitute, and preserve the public health, and also the sum of \$10,000.00 for the education of deaf mutes. By the omission to include power to legislate in respect of these matters in the powers given to the Legislative Assembly, such as is given to the Provinces by The British North America Act, it is presumed that Parliament intended to reserve to itself the power to appropriate funds to meet all needed expenditures for such services. This is being done in the case of insane persons, and the services indicated in this paragraph are no less necessary.

REMARKS UPON THE GENERAL POSITION.

From the foregoing it will be seen that the services being administered by the North-West Government are all such as demand attention, and it is submitted that they are being as economically administered as similar services are in any part of the Dominion. As has already been stated, the appropriation asked for is based upon actual expenditures in the year 1898, and if the sum required is not voted for the fiscal year commencing next July, the services must be curtailed. A glance at the recapitulation of the items forming the estimates will show where the bulk of the reduction must be made. Of course, public works can be stopped and the Legislature can amend or even repeal its Ordinance requiring the payments of grants from the public funds to assist school districts, but it is thought that it would not be in the interests of good government that either course should be considered, much less rendered necessary.

To meet a possible suggestion that another course might be adopted, that, namely, of requiring the people of the Territories to contribute directly to the Territorial revenue, as well as carry on the services already noted, it may be pointed out that though the principle of direct taxation is embodied in the constitution of the Dominion and every Province of Canada as well

as the Territories, yet it has not been put into extensive practice. And while freedom from taxation in the Territories is being urged in every country in the world where the officers of your department are working in the effort to induce people to come and occupy the Crown domain, it would not be politic to introduce any change in existing conditions which might have the effect of hindering immigration work. Two things in this connection are certain: If a direct tax were placed upon the people of the Territories for the purpose of supplementing the grant made by Parliament to the Territorial revenue, it would undoubtedly have the effect of stopping immigration from such countries as the United States, as well as the migration of such of our own people as are seeking new homes; and it is no less certain that those people of the Territories who are yet in the pioneer stage of their existence are not in a position to have such an addition made to their burthens.

Apart altogether from this feature of the case, it is submitted that, owing to the conditions of the country, every cent expended in public improvements and upon the welfare of the people is spent largely upon property belonging to the Dominion or upon settlers brought to the Territories as a result of the policy of the Federal Government. If immigration were stopped, there would not be the same necessity for new roads and other works of similar character, as the present works would to a certain extent meet all ordinary requirements with the annual expenditure made upon them by the settlers in their Local Improvement Districts. It should be unnecessary to direct your attention to the fact that, as a result of the sectional system of survey with the reservation of alternate sections from homesteading, all public improvements, whatever their nature or however they are performed, enhance the value of Crown lands by opening up a market for them, if in no other way. This applies with greater force to Territorial lands which have been given to various corporations for Federal purposes, and the people of the Territories who pay their share into the Canadian treasury man for man with the people of any part of the Dominion—and in some cases consider they pay more than their proportionate share—while working to improve their own properties are also called upon to improve properties held for speculative purposes by railroad and other corporations who do nothing to assist in the work. For these reasons, also, the question of considering the necessity for imposing a direct tax upon the people of the Territories to provide the funds for carrying on the Government properly should not be entertained. Our people are yet in the earlier stages of their political existence, and while working out the problem of their future they should not be handicapped by being required to bear unnecessary financial burthens. It is the endeavour of the Government of the Territories to economically administer public affairs and at the same time to afford the people of the country all the advantages resulting from the highest attainments of the science and art of popular government achieved elsewhere.

In the year 1892 the Legislative Assembly of the Territories

presented a memorial to the Dominion Government through the Honourable the Prime Minister, the Honourable the Minister of Finance and the Honourable the Minister of the Interior upon the then existing financial position in the Territories. Early in the following year (1893), the Committee of the Legislative Assembly appointed, under the provisions of The North-West Territories Act in that behalf, to advise the Lieutenant Governor upon matters relating to the expenditure of Territorial funds, followed the memorial with a resolution supporting its claims. The resolution set forth the necessities of the Territories and what was then thought would be an equitable manner of arranging to meet them. How far the arrangement would have failed to meet the necessities is evidenced by the fact that an advance of fifty per centum is required to meet the services to-day upon the amount which was deemed ample in 1892. The Memorial among other matters set forth in effect the following:

1. That the necessities of local government in the Territories demand that instead of the annual vote by the Parliament of Canada of an indefinite sum for expenses of government, a fixed amount in the nature of a subsidy should be granted to the Territories.

2. That owing to the rapid increase of population in the Territories, the amount of the subsidy should be fixed for a brief term of years.

3. That the subsidy should be calculated in the manner adopted in arranging the subsidies of the Provinces.

4. That as Manitoba has been held to be entitled to a specific grant on account of lack of lands, the Territories are entitled to a like grant in consideration of their special circumstances, some of which are stated to be—

- (a) Owing to the vast area of the Territories and the widely scattered nature of the settlement, all the business of the local Government is rendered more expensive proportionately to population than in any of the Provinces;

- (b) That as the Parliament of Canada retains the control of the public lands, grass, timber and minerals of the Territories and derives revenue therefrom, it has a direct financial interest in good government and public improvements in the Territories as it has not in any of the Provinces (except Manitoba), and therefore, so long as it retains such control, should pay more proportionately to the support of the local government of the Territories than to that of any of the Provinces in whose local government or improvements it has no such direct financial interest.

After setting forth some of what were considered to be the most important of the local improvements then necessary, it was submitted that a specific annual grant should be made in lieu of lands. The position in 1892 is the position to-day. The neces-

sity for making adequate provision for the public services of the Territories still exists and the facts which form the basis of the claim for proper recognition remain practically unchanged. There is one feature of the case, however, which has materially altered, and which is worthy of consideration. In 1892 it might reasonably have been replied to the Memorial of the Assembly that the Territories had then had little or no experience in self-government, and were the powers asked for and the moneys necessary to carry them out provided, there was no guarantee that proper use would be made of either. In 1898 no such statement can be made. The North-West Government has now at command all the official machinery necessary to carry on the most intricate matters of government. It has undertaken the duties devolving upon it under its limited powers, and shown a willingness to assume any other burthen which might fall upon it by reason of any extension of its powers. It only lacks suitable financial and other arrangements to warrant the successful maintenance of these burthens. To this end it is proposed for consideration that a tentative financial agreement be entered into, based upon the terms embodied in The British North America Act and The Manitoba Act, under which the North-West Government will be required to undertake all the services which fall upon Provincial Governments. In this way Parliament would be relieved from making special provision for particular services that by reason of their essentially local nature, can be more readily administered by local authority than that of the Dominion. Such a proposition implies that as ample powers will be given to the Legislative Assembly of the Territories as pertain to the legislatures of any of the Provinces. If reasons exist why this proposal cannot be agreed to, then the amount asked for in the accompanying estimates should be appropriated for the service of the Territories, but the serious consideration of the Government is urged to the proposal. A favourable acquiescence in its terms need not place the Territories upon any other political footing than they occupy at present, nor need it interfere with the efforts being made to settle Crown lands or other matters of Dominion concern. It would, however, follow that several of the Departments at Ottawa would be relieved of much work that at present is done in them but which has no place there.

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COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES IN THE
PROVINCE OF MANITOBA AND THE NORTH-WEST
TERRITORIES UPON MEMBERS AND OFFICERS OF
THE RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS.

	MANITOBA.	N.W.T.
Executive Council (Members of Govern- ment and officials).....	\$15,600 00	\$6,410 00
Treasury Department and Audit Office.	6,330 00	4,540 00
Secretary's Department (including li- brary of legislature and Queen's Printer).....	4,500 00	2,160 00
Public Works Department.....	4,500 00	8,150 00
Attorney General's Department.....	5,470 00	3,120 00
Agriculture Department.....	3,400 00	3,420 00
Education Department.....	3,000 00	2,900 00
	<hr/> \$42,800 00	<hr/> \$30,700 00

RECAPITULATION OF AMOUNTS ESTIMATED TO BE RE-
QUIRED FOR EXPENDITURE BY THE NORTH-WEST
GOVERNMENT DURING THE FISCAL YEAR 1899-1900.

1. Civil Government.....	\$ 40,000 00
2. Legislation	30,000 00
3. Administration of Civil Justice and Ordinances.	15,000 00
4. Public Works.....	200,000 00
5. Education.....	175,000 00
6. Agriculture and Statistics.....	50,000 00
7. Hospitals, Charities and Public Health.....	15,000 00
8. Education of Deaf Mute Children.....	10,000 00
	<hr/> \$535,000 00

1.—*Civil Government*..... \$40,000.00

The amount is required to maintain the cost of Government and the Public Service of the Territories. Parliament has created a Government and allotted to it the performance of certain duties. These are being economically and adequately carried on through a complete Departmental organisation. Attention is directed to the fact that, owing to sparse settlement in many parts of the country, much work devolves upon the North-West Government that no Provincial Government is required to undertake, owing to the lack of anything of the nature of general municipal organisation in the Territories. This is particularly so in relation to the provision of facilities for the education of the young and the carrying on of public works, with the result that expenditure in connection with the administration of these matters is comparatively large. The situation is not without its advantages. The people are not called upon to burden themselves with the maintenance of an expensive system of municipal machinery; the services of the technical and administrative officers of the Government are at general command at a much less cost than they could be obtained in any other manner; and the public institutions of the country are steadily, if quietly, growing up to maturity, whilst an effective check is placed upon any tendency to extravagance so long as the concurrence of the Government is required for public undertakings.

2.—*Legislation*..... \$30,000.00

The Legislative Assembly is being continued upon the lines laid down by Parliament in 1888. With the growth of the country, and the extension of its functions, the cost of the Assembly has somewhat increased. This increase is entirely attributable to the necessity for adding to the representation from time to time, as no expenditure is now being incurred that was not found necessary when the Legislative Assembly was first called into existence. The amount noted above includes the cost of printing Bills, Ordinances, Reports and other publications of the Assembly.

3.—*Administration of Civil Justice and Ordinances*.... \$15,000.00

There are now 54 different offices in the Territories connected with the administration of civil justice, the registration of mortgages, etc., each of which requires to be furnished with necessary office supplies. Persons confined for infractions of Territorial Ordinances are kept in North-West Mounted Police guardrooms at the charges of the North-West Government, all expenditure for this purpose going to the Dominion Government. The proper administration and enforcement of the Ordinances now requires the annual expenditure of the amount asked for.

4.—*Public Works*..... \$200,000.00

The Legislative Assembly has appropriated various sums

aggregating \$199,451.81, estimated to be the cost of certain public works and services connected therewith, required during the current financial year. Most of these works are now finished, and by the end of the year all such as were contemplated in the estimates will be completed, at a cost closely approximating the estimate. This work is all additional to that undertaken by the residents of the Territories under The Local Improvement Ordinance, under which a levy of \$2.50 is made annually upon the owner (whether resident or not) of each quarter section in the country where the provisions of the Ordinance are in force. The money so obtained has been spent in road improvements and other works of public utility which were formerly done at the charges of the Government.

The works undertaken by the Government arrange themselves under such headings as the construction of bridges and culverts; clearing and grading of roads; surveys; purchase of tools and instruments for road and other works; construction of dams to form reservoirs for the storage of water, and the boring of public wells; making fireguards; supplying ferry accommodation; repairing public works previously constructed; the inspection of coal mines and steam boilers in the interests of the persons employed; together with the maintenance of the legislative, departmental and other buildings occupied by the Government. The following remarks upon the several classes of work undertaken may not be considered inappropriate:

CONSTRUCTION OF BRIDGES AND CULVERTS.—In the past, owing to the method of expending funds upon public works which obtained as a result of the general necessities and the total inadequacy of the funds at command to meet them, it was never possible to deal with the question of providing suitable bridges in those districts where bridges are most imperatively required. As a consequence, travel between any two given points which necessitated crossing a river often meant an addition to the journey of many miles in order that advantage might be taken of a suitable ford or ferry. The closing up of these old trails by advancing settlement and the opening up of the statutory road allowances as travelled roads means that bridges require to be built in almost every section of the country. Wood is the material of which the greater number of these bridges are constructed, but it is found that when the cost of such a bridge approaches \$600.00 a bridge with a steel superstructure can now be erected at an advance in cost, of not more than fifteen to twenty per cent.; which is but trifling when a comparison of the lifetime and efficacy of the bridges is made.

OPENING UP OF ROADS.—Concentration in the older settlements and the opening up of new districts by new settlers are both causes leading to the demand for roads. In the older settlements the earlier cross country trails have now to be abandoned and new roads made. Where statutory road allowances are impracticable their difficulties have to be overcome; sloughs require to be drained, timber to be cleared, and hills and ravines to be graded. In many instances this work cannot be

easily done and diversions into adjoining property are necessary. Much of this work is undertaken by the people themselves under the supervision of the officials of the Government, thus ensuring that labour and energy is not misdirected and that the work is done in a proper manner.

New settlements are generally isolated and roads between such localities and market points have to be provided if the people are to be kept upon the ground. Nearly all the dissatisfaction to be found amongst settlers in the Territories arises from the difficulties met with owing to lack of good roads. The Government is alive to the necessity for keeping the settlers now being brought in by the Department of the Interior, and is meeting the public requirements in the direction of good roads as fast as the funds at disposal permit. In this connection reference might be made to the roads built this year leading from Albertan and Saskatchewan points to the north, in the direction of the Peace River, to supplement which an equal expenditure has been authorised by the Dominion Government.

WATER SUPPLY.—One of the greatest hindrances to settlement in the Territories is the apparent lack of water in many parts. The Government now owns 17 well augers of various capacities, including three machines of sufficient power to penetrate to a greater depth than has yet been found necessary. One of these machines is operated by steam power, and the other two by horse power; and by their use water has been found this year in a number of districts from which the settlers were moving away by reason of its absence. Where water is thus found every care is taken to ensure that the supply is made good use of, pumps and a well house being provided and the well properly looked after. Each settled district where a scarcity of water is reported as existing is being systematically tested with a view to ascertaining its capability to furnish water. Considerable sums, also, are being expended to create artificial lakes to provide water for stock and other purposes. These efforts are meeting with varied success, but on the whole a steadier feeling is noticeable and there is an evident appreciation of the efforts being put forth to obtain water.

FIREGUARDS.—No other cause has done so much to retard the progress of the Territories as the prairie fires which devastate large sections of the country periodically. The attention of Local Improvement Districts is continually being directed to the best means of securing protection from fire, but all the work it is possible for such districts to do would be unavailing were it not for Government assistance in the making of fireguards altogether outside of such districts. Fireguards once made have to be continually kept in order, or the work done in any one year would but add to the danger in the next. This work, in the present condition of settlement in the country, is one that largely falls upon the Government.

FERRY ACCOMMODATION.—It is considered that where rivers, too wide for bridging with the funds available for such purposes,

interfere with public travel, ferries should be provided. Most of the ferries in existence are self-supporting, but those near the newer settlements are not, and in order to assist the Department of the Interior in the efforts being made to locate settlers in the Saskatchewan and other districts ferries have been established, the whole cost of the construction and maintenance of which have fallen upon the Territorial funds.

REPAIRS TO PUBLIC WORKS.—Many of the public works constructed in the Territories have now nearly reached the end of their period of usefulness. Being of a temporary nature for the most part considerable expenditure is annually required to keep them in repair.

INSPECTION OF COAL MINES AND STEAM BOILERS.—Coal mines in the Territories are, fortunately, largely free from the dangers met with in other countries due to the existence of gas in the mines, but in the majority of the mines—especially those owned and operated as comparatively small concerns—dangers to life are met with that rarely occur in larger mines. It has been found necessary to rigidly inspect all mines for the purpose of seeing that necessary precautions to ensure safety and freedom from accidents are taken.

There are now about eight hundred steam boilers and engines known to be in active operation in the Territories, nearly every one of which have been operated in the past by persons more or less ignorant of the work required, and the limitations and possibilities of the power with which they were employed. Consequently accidents due to ignorance and lack of skill were not uncommon. All boilers are now periodically examined and tested, and no person is allowed to take charge of one until he gives evidence of sufficient ability to warrant his doing so without danger to those employed around him.

5.—*Education* \$175,000.00

The method of paying grants to schools adopted in 1896 has resulted in a marked increase in the regularity of attendance of pupils, length of school sessions in rural districts, and the percentage of higher grades of teachers employed. The increase in the number of schools is not so marked as is the fact that a number of schools formerly closed have been reopened. These are all factors in determining the expenditure upon education.

In a number of districts where the residents consist of colonies from European countries or halfbreeds it has been found necessary to remove the schools from the control of the trustees and to appoint commissioners to carry on the work under direct Government supervision. This action has also added to the expense, but was imperatively required in the interests of the people and their children.

The amount asked for is the estimated requirements for paying school grants, inspecting schools, training teachers, conducting examinations, and other services connected therewith.

The expenditure during the year just closing has nearly reached \$167,000.00.

6.—*Agriculture and Statistics*.....\$50,000.00

ENCOURAGEMENT OF AGRICULTURAL, DAIRY AND OTHER SOCIETIES.—As we noted last year Parliament annually votes an amount (now \$7,000.00) which is distributed through the Dominion Department of Agriculture to agricultural societies in the Territories, and which, it is thought, would be more effective were it transferred to the Territorial Government as part of the amount here asked for. The Province of Manitoba expended in 1897 the sum of \$24,743.32 for the purpose of assisting agricultural, dairy and other kindred organisations, and as the work is yet in its earlier stages in the Territories when compared with that Province, a much larger amount could be well expended here. With a grant available for these purposes it would be possible to make a much desired reform in carrying on these societies by the consolidation of a number of the smaller and weaker organisations existing at present and which are only kept in existence for the one object of obtaining the Dominion grant referred to. It is believed that a smaller number of comparatively large societies would do more real work in the interests of agriculture than present conditions render possible.

It is proposed to inaugurate a complete system of farmers' institutes throughout the Territories. Beneficial effects have followed the introduction of farmers' institutes into other portions of the Dominion, and the present Territorial conditions offer a favourable opportunity for their introduction here. The necessary funds are asked for the purpose.

DESTRUCTION OF TIMBER WOLVES.—Notwithstanding the efforts put forth to exterminate timber wolves, they appear to be increasing in number and are reported as existing in portions of the Territories hitherto considered as being free from them. These animals are the cause of heavy losses to the stockmen of the West, it being a well known fact that each time a wolf of this species requires food it kills fresh meat to satisfy its appetite. For this reason poison has little or no effect in keeping down their numbers, as they will not touch flesh they have not killed themselves. Their natural cunning, speed and strength call for much skill to successfully hunt them, and it has been found that the only effective method to secure their destruction is by the offer of a bounty large enough to induce Indians and halfbreed hunters to make a business of killing them. Stockmen in the range country, by the very nature of their calling, live far from one another, and so largely escape the burthens of taxation which fall upon other people in the Territories. Indeed, the only contributions paid directly to the revenue are paid as rent for grazing leases, which all goes into the Dominion exchequer, and which it is therefore thought should properly bear any expenditure necessary to afford stock owners the protection to property they require.

DESTRUCTION OF NOXIOUS WEEDS.—The following remarks made last year in connection with the Territorial estimates are repeated, their truth having been emphasised in the interim: “Lands once cultivated and allowed to lie fallow become seed beds of noxious weeds. A number of instances are reported where lands have been abandoned by their owners on account of their being over run by weeds, the seeds of which travelled from other vacant abandoned land. In the majority of cases these lands are the property of the Crown, and the work done will benefit lands that are entirely under the control of the Federal authorities. Territorial legislation compels private owners to keep down these weeds on their own lands, and, where the population is sufficient to warrant the organisation of a district under The Local Improvement Ordinance, the district is encouraged to work out its assessment in the destruction of these weeds as well as the making of roads and building bridges. A large amount of work of this nature is done in this manner, but it is impossible to cover the whole ground. Incalculable damage is done by weeds growing on abandoned homesteads, and in the interests of the country it is necessary that Government expenditure should be made in this direction. In every way possible the onus is placed upon the public to protect the general interests, but in the more sparsely settled districts the matter has to be dealt with by the Government, and the amount asked for (\$5,000.00) will be by no means sufficient to successfully cope with the damage being done.” A systematised effort was made during the past summer (1898) to deal with part of the wheat growing area of Assiniboia by the destruction of noxious weeds growing on abandoned homestead lands and the employment of competent persons to warn farmers who were allowing such weeds to grow on their farms, and explain their nature with the best means of eradicating them. It was found that great ignorance upon the subject prevails which can only be overcome by persistent educative work. This is being attempted but will be of no avail unless the whole country is completely and effectually covered. As an instance of the necessity for this, it has within the past few days been reported that Canada thistle—a weed hitherto unknown in the Territories—has obtained a footing in Alberta, a serious enough matter in itself. This work calls for the expenditure of money now with the certainty that the longer the matter is neglected the worse will the condition become.

COLLECTION AND PUBLICATION OF AGRICULTURAL AND OTHER STATISTICS.—By the organisation of a Department of Agriculture with a competent staff there is every reason to expect that valuable statistics will be steadily accumulated. These will be valueless unless published in a manner commending itself to the general public, which it is proposed to do.

The department is making an effort to relieve the Dominion meteorological service of the greater part of its work in the Territories by arranging for the collection of meteorological data, collating it and furnishing the superintendent in Toronto with

the results obtained. This, it is understood, will materially assist the work of the Federal officials by ensuring more prompt attention to their work on the part of local observers than was possible under previous conditions.

The collection of vital statistics is being economically performed.

PROMOTION AND ENCOURAGEMENT OF THE IMPORTATION OF THOROUGHbred STOCK INTO THE TERRITORIES.—It is a matter of common comment that cattle in the Territories are not of the same high grade now that they were a few years ago. To this deterioration only can be attributed the fact that cattle from the Territories do not command an average price equal to that commanded by American cattle. The large ranchers have been equally negligent with the farmer and small cattle raiser, but this has been more probably due to difficulties met with in obtaining suitable sires to keep up the grading of their herds. With the view of assisting to overcome these difficulties arrangements have been effected whereby stock owners can import thoroughbred sires to improve their herds at the minimum of cost with the certainty of freedom from risk of damage during transport. Advantage is being taken of this arrangement, which is calculated to achieve a beneficial effect obtainable in no other way.

EXPERIMENTAL AGRICULTURAL WORK IN THE TERRITORIES.—Whilst admitting all the good work being done on the Dominion experimental farms at Brandon and Indian Head, it is practically of little value to those farmers of the Territories who do not reside within measurable distances of these institutions. This is true both by reason of the lack of opportunity for personal observation on the part of the great majority of Territorial farmers and also of the now well established fact that climatic and other conditions of plant life are by no means uniform in the west. Grains and grasses which succeed admirably at Indian Head are not always successful at other points, even within the short distance of fifty miles, and *vice versa*. Arrangements have been made for conducting agricultural experiments and demonstrations under irrigation in Southern Alberta, and similar work will be commenced in other parts of the country as opportunity offers. It is expected that demonstrative work of the nature contemplated will tend to render available in every part of the Territories all that is being done so admirably for the Indian Head district by the experimental farm at that place, and to make the work of that institution of more value to the country at large than ever it has been hitherto.

PUBLICATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF AGRICULTURAL INFORMATION RELATING TO THE TERRITORIES.—In addition to the demonstrations to be carried on in experimental plots throughout the country, it is proposed to enter upon educational agricultural work by means of the periodic publication of bulletins upon subjects connected with the prevailing industry of the country.

7.—*Hospitals, Charities and Public Health*..... \$15,000.00

AID TO HOSPITALS.—Eight hospitals in the Territories receive aid from the North-West Government. During 1897-8 the legislative appropriation permitted of the payment of a grant of a fraction under thirty cents per diem to each hospital for each patient. The grant is but a small one, but without it these institutions would be unable to carry on their work.

CARE OF INCURABLES.—By an arrangement entered into with the general hospital at Medicine Hat, incurable persons in the Territories are being maintained at that institution. No person is admitted as an incurable at present who is able to provide for his own maintenance or who has friends who are able to do so.

PRESERVATION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH.—As was noted last year considerable expenditure is annually required to ensure that infectious and contagious disease does not spread throughout districts where such diseases break out. During the past year several outbreaks of scarlet fever and diphtheria were successfully confined to the immediate localities in which they were first discovered, but at a considerable cost. In a number of districts, especially those lately settled with German and Austrian families, it seems impossible to make the people understand the necessity for maintaining quarantine, or taking the most ordinary precautions against the spread of dangerous disease, without a display of authority. Where a quarantine is thus enforced it becomes necessary to provide medical officers and often food supplies.

RELIEF OF DESTITUTE, AGED AND INFIRM PERSONS.—In nearly every part of the Territories there are persons living who, by reason of poverty, age or infirmity of mind or body, have become charges upon the public. It is notable that in the majority of cases these persons are not Canadians, but have drifted into the country with other immigrants. Some of these people have been returned to their former homes, others have no homes to go to. Under existing circumstances no other method of dealing with these cases offers itself but that of paying for the board of these people.

GRANT TO THE WIDOW OF THE LATE MR. JUSTICE MACLEOD, C.M.G.—This expenditure, it is considered, is one properly devolving upon the Dominion Government, whose officer the late Judge Macleod was. In the absence of action by the Federal Government, and the necessities of the case pressing themselves on public attention, the Legislative Assembly has deemed it right to undertake, in some measure, the duty of providing for Mrs. Macleod and her young family, and the sum of \$600.00 has been voted for that purpose for each of the past three years.

6.—*Education of Deaf Mute Children*.....\$10,000.00

The attention of the Government is again directed to the fact that there are several (some twenty or thirty) deaf mute

children in the Territories, who are growing up without any effort being made to educate them. The matter is one which has been pressing for attention for some years, so much so that the Dominion Government authorised (by Order in Council dated June 19, 1894) an arrangement being entered into by the Minister of the Interior with the Government of the Province of Manitoba for the maintenance and education of at least twelve deaf mutes of school age from the Territories in the institution maintained by the Province at Winnipeg, upon a basis analagous to that by which insane persons in the Territories are kept and treated in the insane asylums of Manitoba, but no action has yet been taken in the matter. It is felt that further delay should not occur, but that some steps should be taken by Parliament to give these unfortunate children an opportunity to obtain such an education as will enable them to earn a livelihood for themselves. Owing to the fact that the most of the cases reported are children belonging to families more or less indigent, any arrangement effected will necessarily contemplate payment for clothing and transport in addition to fees for maintenance and tuition.

The Honourable
The Minister of Justice,
Ottawa, Ont.

Regina, March 23rd, 1899.

SIR,—When forwarding to the Minister of the Interior the annual estimates of sums required for the services of the Government of the North-West Territories for the year ending June 30, 1900, I took occasion to review in detail the services being carried on and, at the same time, to point out where, in the opinion of the Territorial Government, changes might be made that would both be of benefit to the Territories and relief to certain Departments of the Dominion Government. If this matter has not already been brought to your notice I presume that it will be at an early date, and, as reference was made to the matter of the administration of justice in the Territories in the communication addressed to the Minister of the Interior, I deem it due, on the part of the Territorial Government, that you should be directly and more particularly addressed with respect to the claims already presented in a general manner elsewhere.

At the present time the position stands somewhat as follows: Civil Justice is administered in the Territories under an Ordinance of the Legislative Assembly passed on the authority of the power given by The North-West Territories Act to pass Ordinances respecting the administration of justice. Were it not for the clause in The Criminal Code providing that the Attorney General for Canada shall be the Attorney General for the Territories with respect to matters with which it deals, the

clause in The North-West Territories Act is, in my opinion, wide enough to give the Assembly power to deal with the administration of criminal as well as civil justice. Whether this be so or not, in actual practice criminal matters are administered by your department through its agents in the Territories. The proposition was advanced in the letter to the Minister of the Interior that, as the Territorial Government has been obliged to bring into existence a complete official organisation in order to effectually carry out the provisions of certain Ordinances which contain penal clauses and to discharge other legal duties, the same organisation could profitably be utilised to carry on the work at present being undertaken in your department. It is not by this intended to imply that the work is not receiving necessary attention, but it is thought that it must be admitted that a responsible authority on the spot is one as likely to be competent to deal promptly with matters as they arise as your department can possibly be, labouring as it does under the disadvantage of distance. After all, from a departmental view, there is little contained in the proposal but the transfer of the routine work of the payment of witnesses, coroners and jury fees, for legal services rendered in the prosecution of criminals and for certain official services, from your office to mine. The same work will naturally be performed in very much the same way, and largely by the same people. Were the Territorial Government entrusted with the duty of administering the criminal law, the public service of the Territories, in this direction at least, would be more complete than it now is. I may go so far as to say that though there can be but little advantage accruing to your department by the retention of this work, its transfer to the Territorial Government will be of considerable advantage to it in various ways. I have already taken occasion to point out the incongruity of the position occupied here. As certain officials of the Supreme Court, all the justices of the peace and coroners are appointed by the Lieutenant Governor, they naturally look to the authority which appointed them for instructions and advice and often for remuneration for services rendered. No amount of explanation seems able to achieve any other result than to convince these people that the Territorial Government is attempting to shirk its responsibilities and evade its duties by referring them to the Department of Justice. You will remember that an extended discussion took place in the House of Commons last session upon the question of coroners, their duties and controlling authority, all going to show an amount of ignorance of the actual state of affairs that is surprising. The North-West Government has no desire to stand idle when there is work to be done and believing that this work properly belongs to it and that it can be satisfactorily attended to here, I would ask your co-operation in any effort which may be made to bring about the change desired.

Briefly, all that is wanted and asked for is that the Territories should be placed on the same footing as the several provinces are, but with respect to administration simply. This would of course imply that the funds for the proper discharge of the duties to be performed would be placed at our disposal. They

are now annually provided by Parliament, so that no increase in expenditure would be called for. Until the general financial position is placed upon a more satisfactory basis than it at present occupies it would be idle to contemplate the maintenance of court houses and jails, and the Government of the Territories does not wish to be understood as doing so. In this connection it might be noted that the Auditor General's reports show that the following payments have been made by your department on account of miscellaneous justice in the Territories, which includes the following services, namely; Summoning jurors; executing warrants; maintenance of prisoners at North-West Mounted Police posts; transport of prisoners by North-West Mounted Police; jury and witness fees; Crown prosecutors; legal services and expenses; attendance of clerks at criminal trials; coroners' inquests, fees and expenses.

For the year 1893-4.....	\$33,029.28
For the year 1894-5.....	32,204.57
For the year 1895-6.....	26,757.07
For the year 1896-7.....	24,888.23

In addition to these amounts the salaries and travelling expenses of the Judges and the salaries of the Sheriffs were also paid.

Your obedient servant,

F. W. G. HAULTAIN,

Attorney General.

Ottawa, April 1st, 1899.

Dear Sir,—I have your letter of the 23rd instant, enclosing memorandum *re* your views in reference to the conduct of the criminal business in the Territories, and beg to say that the representations which you make will have my careful consideration.

Faithfully yours,

DAVID MILLS.

The Honourable
F. W. G. Haultain,
Attorney General,
Regina, N.W.T.

RETURN

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To an Order of the House, dated April 21, 1899, for a Return showing :

- (1) The amount of local revenue collected each year since 31st August, 1887 ;
- (2) The amount of money received each year from the Dominion Government by the Government of the Territories since 30th June, 1887.

G. H. V. BULYEA,

Territorial Treasurer.

Statement showing the amount of Local Revenue collected each year since August 31, 1887.

Year.	Amount Received.	Remarks.
1887-8	\$ 16,533.40	12 months to August 31.
1888-9	16,109.88	10 " " June 30.
1889-90	19,559.11	12 " " " "
1890-1	18,781.93	12 " " " "
1891-2	46,227.39	12 " " " " (including liquor licenses for 14 months.)
1892-3	30,612.48	12 " " " "
1893-4	34,446.65	14 " " August 31.
1894-5	30,040.84	12 " " " "
1895-6	29,804.86	12 " " " "
1896-7	27,757.75	12 " " " "
1897-8	195,814.65	16 " " December 31.

Statement showing the amount of money received each year from the Dominion Government by the Government of the Territories since June 30, 1887.

Year.	Amount Received.	Remarks.
1887-8	.....	\$ 96,707.29
1888-9	.....	142,889.10
1889-90	.....	150,000.00
1890-1	.....	246,465.04
1891-2	.....	133,185.18
<p>These amounts were appropriateded for expenses of Government in the Territories by Parliament and expended by the Department of the Interior, either directly or through the Lieutenant Governor, without reference to the Assembly, except in 1888. They include appropriations for services still dealt with in the same manner, such as the maintenance of Government House and the Lieutenant Governor's office staff; assistance to schools in the unorganised parts of the Territories; care of the Insane; cost of the Land Titles Offices; care of the several Court Houses and supplies for the Judges; etc., etc. The same services in 1898-99 were estimated to cost \$357,859.00, which amount was voted by Parliament. There were (and are still) other appropriations made by Parliament for the Territories and expended through the Departments of Justice, Public Works, etc., the extent of which is not easy to accurately compute, but is known to be nearly \$200,000.00.</p>		
1891-2	*\$ 93,775.40	
1892-3	195,700.00	
1893-4	199,200.00	
1894-5	225,534.00	Including an amount of \$20,000.00 to defray expenses of elections.
1895-6	267,534.00	Including an amount of \$45,000.00 on account of Relief Expenditure.
1896-7	242,879.00	
1897-8	282,879.00	
1898-9	282,879.00	

* Of this amount the sum of \$66,605.40 was included in the usual Parliamentary appropriation for 1891-2 and transferred to the control of the Assembly before the end of the year. At the Session of 1892, a supplementary appropriation of \$27,170.00 was made on the representations of the Executive Committee, making a total of \$93,775.00 as the first money placed at the disposal of the North-West Government by the Dominion Government.

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